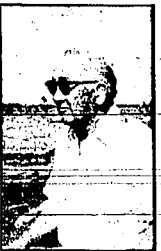


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Hurricane pounds Yucatan, may head for U.S.

The Associated Press

CANCUN, Mexico — Hurricane Gilbert, one of the strongest storms ever, slammed into the Yucatan Peninsula Wednesday and leveled thatched homes, tore off roofs, uprooted trees and cut off the Caribbean resorts of Cancun and Cozumel.

Looters roamed the streets of Cancun, stealing from stores whose windows were blown away. Huge waves battered the beach resorts and thousands were evacuated. Despite the intensity of the onslaught and the ensuing heavy flooding, officials reported only two minor injuries.

The storm killed 19 people in Jamaica and five in the Dominican Republic before moving west to Mexico.

Scientists say Gilbert may be 'greenhouse storm'

Knight-Ridder Service

WASHINGTON — Hurricane Gilbert, the most powerful on record, may be the first of increasing frequent and intense storms spawned by rising ocean temperatures brought on by the greenhouse effect, a panel of scientists told a Senate subcommittee Wednesday.

"One consequence of increased ocean temperatures is more intense storms than we have ever seen," said Carl Wunsch, a professor of physical oceanography at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

He told the Senate Subcommittee on Hazardous Wastes and Toxic Substances that even small increases in ocean surface temperatures, of

1 or 2 degrees Celsius, "can lead to very much more intense and very much more frequent hurricanes."

The conditions surrounding Hurricane Gilbert are consistent with what you would expect to see happen under the 'greenhouse effect,' Wunsch said. "My gut feeling is that that is what we are seeing."

Prime Minister Edward Seaga of Jamaica said Wednesday the storm destroyed an estimated 100,000 of Jamaica's 500,000 homes when it thrashed the island Monday.

The Jamaican Embassy reported earlier that 500,000 of the nation's

2.3 million people were homeless.

In Cancun, amateur radio operators said an oil tanker from the fleet of the government oil monopoly Pemex, the Lazaro Cardenas, had run aground on the beach in the Cancun hotel zone. Pemex officials however

said all their vessels were secure.

Army officials in Mexico City said about 35,000 people were evacuated from Cancun, but Cancun Mayor Jose Sanchez Zapata said about 11,000 fled. Thousands of evacuees were reported elsewhere in the

peninsula.

The eye of the storm passed over Cozumel and Cancun with howling winds clocked at 160 mph at about 6 a.m. MDT. The winds bent and toppled utility poles and uprooted slum dwellings.

At 7 p.m. MDT Gilbert was centered near latitude 21.5 north, longitude 89.4 west and approaching the north coast of Yucatan, about 50 miles east-northeast of the provincial capital, Merida, the National Hurricane Center in Coral Gables, Fla., said.

The storm was about 600 miles southeast of Brownsville, Texas, the center said in a statement.

Gilbert was moving west-northwest at 15 mph and winds had decreased to 125 mph, but the center said wind speed was expected to rise once the storm moved back over the warm Gulf of Mexico waters.

The Mexican National Weather Service reported winds gusting as high as 218 mph Wednesday with sustained winds of 179 mph.



Work time, play time

Patterns of harvest are created in south of Eden early Wednesday evening. Farmer Herb Paul raises a little dust as he thrashes beans on his land. That phase of the Magic Valley's farm year is now in full swing.

Court observers say
Kistler case
should have
gone to trialBy KEN ARMSTRONG
and CRAIG LINCOLN
Times-News writers

TWIN FALLS — The drunken driving case against Police Commander Jim Kistler was strong enough to take to trial and should not have been reduced to inattentive driving, some observers of the case say.

"When you cut this kind of plea bargain, you undermine every citizen's faith that there is equal justice under the law," said R. Keith Roark, a Hailey attorney and former Blaine County prosecutor.

Kistler, who crashed his Mercury Lynx northwest of Fillet April 16, exceeded Idaho's legal blood-alcohol limit in a breath test more than two hours after the accident, according to court records. However, a wrench dropped into the prosecutorial works when Kistler told investigators that he drank two beers after rolling his car.

Kistler's attorney and the Idaho attorney general's office reached a plea agreement under which Kistler, charged with driving under the influence, pleaded guilty Aug. 31 to a reduced charge of inattentive driving.

There were no witnesses to the accident and it was

—No alcohol problem — B1

Miffed at complaints, Gem board tosses out waste rules

The Associated Press

BOISE — Two members of the Idaho Board of Health and Welfare say they're a little miffed that the Health and Welfare agency is being criticized for proposed rules on hospital handling of infectious waste — two months after the department agreed to withdraw them.

"The department and the board are responsive to the public, and I'm a little sick and tired of it," said Russell Webb, board

member from Idaho Falls. "The public is entitled to the truth."

In a published report Tuesday, hospital officials were critical of the proposals. The Health and Welfare Board on Wednesday, at its regular meeting here, accepted a department recommendation to withdraw the proposals in favor of more work.

Dick Schultz, administrator of the Health Division, said, "We will delete those sections and continue to work on them until everybody is satisfied."

The proposed regulations were part of new rules for the operation of hospitals, which were adopted by the board, minus the sections on infectious waste. The hospital regulations updated standards which were adopted 25 years ago.

The department also removed proposed changes on emergency care, exemptions for C-sections and subacute care.

Schultz said the agency, in consultation with the Idaho Hospital Association, agreed two months ago to withdraw the in-

fectious waste rules from final consideration in favor of more work.

That led Webb, and earlier board member Dr. Fred Marneuf of Sandpoint, to wonder why the department was receiving published criticism for proposals it agreed to withdraw two months earlier.

The withdrawal proposals required everything coming in contact with patients, from the moment they walk in the door of a hospital until they are discharged, to be handled as infectious waste.

House votes to slap civil fines on drug users

Knight-Ridder Service

WASHINGTON — Brushing aside complaints that it was trampling the Constitution, the House voted Wednesday to slap casual drug users with civil fines up to \$10,000 if they were caught with small amounts of illegal substances.

Rep. Mickey Edwards, R-Okla., said

the action sends "an unmistakable message" to "weekend cocaine snorters and joint (marijuana) smokers" that they have more in common with "back-alley heroin users" than they think.

"This amendment is designed to make casual users accountable for the murders, smugglers, pushers and dealers who exist to fill their demand," Edwards said.

Approved by a vote of 293-115, the amendment is part of a catchall drug bill that Congress is moving to enact as proof to voters that it is dead serious about coming to grips with widespread drug trafficking.

Last week, the House approved the death penalty for persons convicted of murder while taking part in drug-related

crimes. And it voted to deny federal benefits — such as home loans, education grants and access to public housing — to persons convicted of drug-related offenses.

Opponents argued that the Edwards amendment violates U.S. Supreme Court rulings that civil penalties cannot be used for criminally punitive purposes.

not possible to prove what his blood-alcohol content was at that time since he had consumed at least two beers after the accident," stated Deputy Attorney General David Minert in a letter to The Times-News. "I was not sure the state could prove that he was driving under the influence at the time of the accident."

But several observers doubt Minert's doubts. Idaho State Police, the local prosecutor's office, some area attorneys and the criminalist in charge of the state's alcohol program all say the DUI charge against Kistler could — or should — have gone before a jury.

"I faced that defense a number of times as a prosecutor," Roark said. "I usually found it to be very ineffective. In this particular case, I think it's outrageous."

A key to the case is whether two beers would have been sufficient to boost Kistler's blood-alcohol content from less than .10 — Idaho's legal limit — to .17 or .16, the levels he eventually registered in a pair of breath tests.

La. David Neal of the Idaho State Police said they would not.

"If he stayed with the story of two beers, we felt there was a way of proving with a chemist the amount of time it would take to increase or decrease amounts of alcohol," Neal said.

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Yellowstone fire crews enjoy another day of chill, damp weather

By The Associated Press

Cold, damp weather retarded blazes and chilled firefighters at Yellowstone National Park, and firefighters in California worked Wednesday to put out hot spots and make Gold Rush country, where nearly 100 homes burned "wind-proof."

But experts cautioned that the West's worst fire season in decades wasn't necessarily over yet.

The fires that have devastated nearly a million acres of the nation's oldest national

park have "grown together to form a single blaze, but cold, wet weather has helped firefighters, officials said.

"It's been so cold out there the firefighters are coming in to get warm, and that's really good if they can't stay warm fighting a fire," said Denny Bungarz, a fire commander at Yellowstone, where temperatures had dipped as low as the upper 20s overnight.

Elsewhere, firefighters worked to complete lines around a stubborn blaze in Glacier National Park in Montana, where afternoon temperatures climbed into the 70s but winds

stayed relatively calm. Army reinforcements began arriving Wednesday for a final assault on the giant Canyon Creek fire in west-central Montana.

Fires also continued in several other Western states, including Washington, where firefighters Wednesday took advantage of calm weather to dig more lines around a blaze in Olympic National Park.

Interior Secretary Donald Hodel confirmed Wednesday that the forest service's widely criticized policy of letting naturally caused fires burn was being revised. The fires result-

ing from the drought of 1988, which have charred more than 4 million acres, show that the policy "just doesn't make sense," he said in a television interview.

About 30,000 firefighters continued to battle 32 fires in eight Western states, said White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater.

In northern California, officials of the state forestry department said they were making plans to start sending firefighters back to their home stations, although the first significant pullout probably wouldn't take place until Thursday.

The sudden brushfire that destroyed nearly 100 homes Sunday and Monday ebbed almost as rapidly as it had spread, and all but a few of an estimated 8,000 people who had been evacuated at one time or another had returned home by Wednesday.

"The top priority today is to pick up all the remaining hot spots that are left. We want to be wind-proof," fire operations chief Ed Wagner said.

At Yellowstone, low overnight temperatures forced humidity up to almost 100 percent at times, Bungarz said.

Kistler

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Donna Shepherdson, principal criminalist with the state's Bureau of Forensic Services, reached the same conclusion after calculating the possible effect of two beers on someone Kistler's size. Shepherdson, who heads the state's alcohol program, regularly testifies in alcohol-related cases.

In making her calculations, Shepherdson fixed the variables in Kistler's favor, setting them to achieve the highest possible blood-alcohol concentration from two beers. She worked on an assumption that Kistler, listed in court records as 6-foot-1 and 255 pounds, quickly drank two beers on an empty stomach.

Shepherdson determined that the maximum increase in blood-alcohol content would have been between .02 and .03. Subtracted from .17 or .16, that still would have left Kistler above .10.

Furthermore, those figures do not take into account the amount of alcohol eliminated from Kistler's system between the presumed time of the accident and the breath tests, more than two hours later.

Shepherdson said the currently accepted elimination rate is .015 per hour. If that were added to the .17-16 Kistler eventually registered, his blood alcohol content at the time of the accident would be boosted to about .2.

However, Shepherdson cautioned that she prefers to avoid such "back extrapolation," because it is riddled with variables.

Shepherdson said Minert did not consult with her before the plea bargain. Susan Williamson, a criminalist with the Bureau of Forensic Services in Pocatello who also testifies in DUI cases, also said she was not contacted.

"If he would have talked to one of us, we would probably have told him to go after that guy," Shepherdson said.

But James Meservy, Kistler's attorney, said the defense would have been ready for any such challenge.

"We had an expert witness interviewed who would have said that at the time of the accident he was under the legal limit—it was not that clearcut," Meservy said. "The state did not have a lay down. It was a winnable case."

Based upon statements provided by Kistler, the defense's expert placed Kistler's blood-alcohol content at the time of the accident at between .04 and .08, Meservy said. The expert further found that the amount of beer Kistler stated he drank after the accident would have pushed his blood-alcohol level close to the numbers recorded more than two hours later, Meservy said.

Minert refused to say whether he had spoken with any chemists or alcohol specialists about the DUI charge against Kistler. However, Minert's supervisor, Peter Erbland, said prosecutors normally want to avoid a showdown between dueling experts.

But Roark said juries are designed to answer just such factual questions.

"Juries are not made up of stupid people," Roark said. "Juries are made up of people well-versed in human nature."

K. Ellen Baxter, Twin Falls County prosecutor, said she passed the case to the attorney general's office instead of handling it herself because she determined that the DUI charge was "triable" and that for her office to take it to court would have been a conflict of interest.

She defined "triable" as a case in which "it's as likely as not that a jury of six people would convict" with "all the facts viewed in the light most favorable to the prosecution."

Another question that may have arisen at trial is whether Kistler really drank two beers after the accident, said ISP Cpl. Pat Mooney, the accident's investigating officer. When Mooney asked Kistler where the empty were, Kistler said they were still in the overturned car, according to court records.

However, no cans were found in the car. Instead, Mooney reported finding six Coors Light cans — some empty, some full — outside the car, by a telephone pole and in a nearby field.

"I think he was driving down the road drinking," Mooney said. "I don't think he had anything to drink after the accident."

Mooney nevertheless called the reduction to inattentive driving a "good, sound choice," saying that there were gray areas in the case that would have made it "close" at trial.

In particular, Mooney said the case was weakened because he could not find two witnesses who drove up to the accident site, saw Kistler and then went to a nearby house from which the accident was reported. Mooney said their testimony could have been critical because he reportedly told the house's occupants that Kistler was intoxicated.

Mooney said he and Minert looked over their case for about two hours before deciding to reduce the DUI charge.

"I think it was a good decision. I think the community was best served by it," Mooney said. "There's no way we could paint a picture of Jim being a bad cop."

Meservy said that Mooney's inves-

tigative findings — that Kistler claimed to have drunk only two beers after the accident, and that he was mistaken about the empties' whereabouts — could be challenged.

"That's an officer's conclusion," Meservy said. "That's not necessarily how the jury would have found the evidence."

Roark, speculating on Kistler's actions, said, "Kistler is a police officer who, I would argue, knew that accident would be investigated. Knowing that, why do you think he would start drinking?"

However, Meservy said he could use that same logic to argue Kistler's innocence.

"My point to the jury would have been that it's too incredible not to be true," he said. "If he wanted to be (a DUI charge), he could have done a much better job. To begin with, there would have been no reason for him to stay around."

Meservy said there were also other factors that could have favored Kistler's defense. He said that the gravel on the road where the accident occurred, County Road 2000 East, had been freshly graded and heaped up. The accident occurred where the road goes from pavement to gravel, and Kistler's car hit a washboard section at that point, according to court records.

"It can be a very dangerous stretch of road," Meservy said. "There was some question whether the accident was caused by drinking."

Meservy also questioned whether the breath tests would have been admissible evidence, given that the tests were administered so long after the accident.

"If they wouldn't have made a deal, we would have tried it," Meservy said. "Mr. Kistler told me from day one that he would not plead guilty to DUI because he didn't do it."

Kistler himself declined comment to The Times-News, but Meservy tried to summarize his client's feelings on the matter:

"Anybody else and they would have let this alone," Meservy said. "Because he's a law officer, everybody wants to stick him. That's how he feels."

Minert's handling of the case earned him the displeasure of his boss, Idaho Attorney General Jim Jones.

After settling the plea agreement, Minert said that Kistler's position as a police officer and the possibility that he could have been fired were factored into the decision. He later retracted that statement, but not before drawing Jones' ire.

"Why did he do that? I'd like to

know that myself," said Jones, who added that it is against the policy of the attorney general's office to consider a defendant's occupation in making such decisions.

"It's had enough that he apparently let himself be influenced to some degree, but then to flout the policy and say that's the way the system works, well, I think that's very destructive," Jones said.

Minert, a deputy attorney general for two years, declined this week to say whether there were reasons for not taking the case to trial other than the lack of witnesses to the accident and the possibility that Kistler drank afterwards.

"I think in every case where there's a plea bargain, there can be hindsight, second-guessing by people who may not know all the facts," he said. "I guess every prosecutor is subject to that, and I accept that."

Erbland, who as head of the attorney general's criminal justice division is Minert's supervisor, speculated that Minert might have been made gun-shy by a case earlier this year. In that case, Minert was assigned to prosecute a charge of reckless driving against a Coeur d'Alene police officer.

"The jury took no time in acquitting the officer, and I think David was stunned by it," Erbland said. "I sense that he didn't want to walk into that situation again and walk away empty."

Minert has applied for a magistrate judge position in Gem County, according to court officials there.

On the inattentive driving conviction, Magistrate Judge R. Michael Redman granted Kistler's request for a withheld judgment, meaning that the charge will be formally dismissed if Kistler stays out of trouble during a one-year, unsupervised probation. Kistler also had to pay a \$55 fine and court costs.

Under the double jeopardy rule, Kistler can't be tried again.

"At this point there's nothing that can be done on the criminal case — unfortunately," Jones said.

Roark said that, win or lose, the public would have been best served in this case by a trial.

"If it's taken to a jury and lost, so be it. The system has spoken," Roark said. "The average citizen could live with the idea that Kistler got his day in court, and a jury believed him."

That's a case that will affect the feelings that Twin Falls residents have for a long time.

National pride, defense focus of campaigners

By The Associated Press

George Bush said Wednesday that American flags have sold more briskly since Republicans began restoring pride in the country in 1981.

Michael Dukakis stressed support for some weapons and muted earlier opposition to others as he sought to blunt attacks on his defense credentials.

Bush also touted smaller than expected trade deficit figures and Dukakis accused the Republicans of opposing "every single effort to reform the Pentagon, while their managers fished out details on the campaign debates that are expected to be pivotal in the close race for the White House."

Officials said that vice presidential candidates Dan Quayle and Lloyd Bentsen would hold their only debate of the fall on Oct. 5 in Omaha, Neb. Los Angeles was fixed as the site of the second and final Bush-Dukakis debate on either Oct. 13 or 14.

The two candidates for the White House square off a week from Sunday in Winston-Salem, N.C., in their

first debate of the campaign. Said Bush, "I've been looking forward to it."

But Dukakis went to Annapolis, Md., which was to have been the host for a debate Wednesday night, and taunted the vice president for his refusal to make it a date. "If George Bush isn't ready today after seven and a half years as vice president of this country, how can we expect him to be ready on Jan. 20, 1989?" the Democrat said.

Dukakis aides said the Massachusetts governor would carve a day or two out of his travel schedule to prepare for the first debate, a reflection of the importance of the event in the hard-fought campaign.

Public opinion polls in recent days have shown Bush holding a single-digit lead, and Democratic aides said privately they didn't look for much change in the 10 days before the debates begin.

However, a Washington Post-ABC News released Wednesday showed the two candidates essentially tied, with Dukakis leading 48-45. The survey of 1,092 likely voters had a three-point margin of error.

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Sunny today. Highs in mid 70s. Fair tonight and Friday with lows near 30. Highs from 75 to 80.

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High — Sunny, warmer days and fair, cool nights through Friday. Lows today in the 40s. Highs today in the low to mid 70s. Highs Friday near 80.

Nevada — Sunny and a little warmer today. Clear tonight. Mostly sunny Friday. Highs today from mid 70s to mid 80s. Lows tonight from mid 30s to mid 40s. Highs Friday from upper 70s to upper 80s.

Summary:
The National Weather Service in Boise says an upper level low pressure area remained over western Wyoming and continued bringing some cloudiness to southeastern Idaho on Wednesday.

An upper level high pressure system was expected to bring warm, dry conditions to all of Idaho by late today before a cold front moves through the state late Friday and Saturday.

Clouds were beginning to clear in the east Wednesday afternoon as the low pressure system moved to the east. The north and southwest were mostly clear.

The warmest temperature in the state Friday was 89 degrees at Lewiston and Moscow. Stanley reported the coldest at 19 degrees.

The pollen count in Twin Falls for Wednesday was 48 particles per cubic meter of air.

The agricultural outlook for Southern Idaho: Conditions for field work and spraying will be good today and Friday then poor Saturday into Monday due to gusty winds along with weekend showers. Evaporation rates will be near or slightly above normal through the period due to the combined effects of showers and winds. Winds for spraying in the east and west will be variable under 10 mph today and Friday.

Elsewhere in the nation Thursday, the highest temperature was 103 degrees at Borrego Springs, Calif., and Thermal, Calif. The lowest was 24 degrees at Gunnison, Colo.

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Anchorage	72	74		Minneapolis	77	61	
Boston	72	74		Omaha	77	61	
Chicago	81	59		Portland	77	61	
Dallas	81	59		Portland	77	61	
Denver	59	45	24	Portland	77	61	
Des Moines	81	59		Portland	77	61	
Detroit	81	59		Portland	77	61	
Honolulu	81	59		Portland	77	61	
Indianapolis	81	59		Portland	77	61	

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Sportsmen, officials hope to prevent fires

By The Associated Press

With about 300,000 acres of Idaho's forests burning, hunters and outdoorsmen need to take special precautions when they go into wild areas, officials say, at least until the fire danger eases.

Hunters, sportsmen and state, federal and local agencies joined in an effort Wednesday to make fire prevention the top priority this fall.

"It's critical that hunters be especially careful to make sure that we don't lose the privileges we have," said Steve Swain, secretary of the Idaho Hunters Association.

Parts of four different national forests in Idaho have been closed to public entry by forest fires. Some of them have been raging for weeks, and an army of more than 2,000 firefighters hasn't been able to do much more than keep them in check.

Use the fire violations hotline 1-800-323-FIRE

Wednesday's reports were much the same. Fire bosses said the fires didn't make much progress but it isn't likely the blazes will be controlled until significant precipitation falls.

Officials said Stage 4 fire restrictions are in effect on state and federal lands north of the Salmon River. That means no campfires are allowed, smoking is allowed only in enclosed vehicles and buildings, motorized vehicles may not be used off forest roads, chain saws can be used only between 1 a.m. and 1 p.m. and most firewood cutting is banned.

Hunters were urged to report any violations of the restrictions, and the Fish and Game Department set up a hotline for those reports, manned 18

hours per day. The number is 1-800-323-FIRE.

Joining Hunters Association efforts at fire prevention were the Idaho Sportsmen's Coalition, the Idaho Chapter of the Wildlife Federation, Boise National Forest, Bureau of Land Management, Idaho Department of Lands and Fish and Game.

Bill Goodnight, information chief for Fish and Game, said the special hotline is designed to give hunters a way to help fight fires.

"The numbers of hunters afield in the fall could make the most effective fire-reporting mechanism available, and fast reporting makes the difference between problems and disasters," he said.

Officials stressed the line is not designed to provide hunter information, but for hunters to report new fires or violations of the restrictions.

Goodnight said Idaho has not imposed the total ban on outdoor activities, such as was in effect in Montana for a few days.

"Land managers are understandably nervous about having thousands of hunters in the woods in these dry conditions," Goodnight said, "but Fish and Game feels that allowing hunters to help with the problem is far better than cutting them out entirely."

With continuing high danger fire conditions in most forests, the agencies involved urged hunters to contact land management agencies for information before moving into the woods. The agencies also need to know where the hunters are in case of extreme changes in fire conditions.

Attorney attacks WPPSS in opening arguments of trial

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Utilities which contracted with the Washington Public Power Supply System purposely misled bond buyers about the need for two nuclear power plants and never intended to make good on their \$2.25 billion bond debts, a lawyer argued Wednesday.

Official bond statements made to entice investors to buy WPPSS bonds contained "a number of false promises," Tom Barr said in the plaintiff's opening statement. He represents Chemical Bank of New York, which has sued on behalf of 24,000 bond buyers.

"We claim, and we will prove that these false statements were made fraudulently... and negligently," Barr said.

Plaintiff attorneys were expected to take 3-4 hours to present opening arguments to the 20 jurors. Defendant attorneys said their opening arguments would take more than six hours.

Barr said the 16 defendant utilities, which are WPPSS directors and which contracted with WPPSS, claimed there was a need for more electricity in the Northwest when there was not and that they re-

peatedly changed cost estimates for the plants, which never were completed.

The first of 14 bond sales estimated the two plants, WPPSS Nos. 4 and 5, would cost \$3.37 billion, he said. That was in June 1977.

In May 1981, Barr said, the estimate had jumped to \$11.8 billion, and the dates for completion had jumped several years.

The ultimate "ace up their sleeve," Barr said of the utilities, was the Washington state court system.

"They intended first to go to court

to try to get their state courts to get them out of their promises," he said.

The Washington Supreme Court in June 1983 ruled that contracts utilities had signed with WPPSS were illegal because they promised to pay even though there may never have been delivery of power.

WPPSS defaulted in 1983 on \$2.25 billion in bonds sold for the plants.

Dan Quayle may make Boise stop

BOISE (AP) — Indiana Sen. Dan Quayle, the Republican vice presidential candidate, plans an overnight stop and campaign speech on the Statehouse steps Tuesday, said Sen. James Risch, R-Boise, state chairman of the Bush-Quayle campaign.

Risch said not all details of the visit have been confirmed, but Quayle

plans a noon speech at the Statehouse.

He's scheduled to arrive in Boise late Monday night after a full day of campaign visits, but is not expected to make a public appearance until Tuesday, Risch said.

Republican officials said a series of private receptions would be held.

Washington man dies in rollover accident

PRIEST LAKE (AP) — An Onk Harbor, Wash., man was killed and two passengers were injured in a one-car rollover near Priest Lake, Idaho State Police said.

Gary Craig Stagner, 20, died shortly before 1:30 a.m. Wednesday at the scene of the accident on Luby Bay Road, one-half mile from Idaho Highway 57, authorities said.

Stagner and both passengers, whose names were not available Wednesday, were thrown from his small car, police said.

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Avoiding those horrible words creates linguistic nightmare

The reluctance to pronounce certain words has produced a strange twist on the English language.

It started with a joke about the reluctance to say the word, "liberal." This became the "L-word." Then, in association with the L-word, came the T-word — a reflection of a politician's reluctance to talk about taxes.

But why stop there? There are all sorts of horrible words that we would prefer not to pronounce. Why leave all the euphemizing to the politicians? We could all avoid saying the obvious. In fact, here's how a description of an average day would go.

You wake up at 7 a.m. and notice the darn weather is doing the W-word again. Unfortunately you have to go to the W-place to earn that M-atuff. So you shower and apply D-dant to your underarms, hop in the car and fight

Stephanie Schorow

the T-word all the way downtown, nearly knocking over some Y-people in suits and some H-people who try to clean your windshield.

The day starts with an interminable staff M-word, in which co-workers discuss new I-words to improve the company's P-dut. You try to pay attention but you are really dying to take a break in the B-room, grab another cup of coffee and relax at your desk.

You have lunch that day with your friend Rachel S-name (Smith) who is bubbling over with gossip for you. She lights up a C-thing and begins.

"Did you hear that Gladys and Fred were on the outs again? I think we're talking D-word here. Oh yes, and Kathy has already broken up with that new guy. She started mentioning the L-word but he wasn't ready for the M-word and K-things."

She wanted him to be a liberal, you mean? "No, no, no. Love. I hear she bought herself a P-car and an F-count for consolation."

A Peugeot? "No, NO. A Porsche. Now she can do 115 mph on the I-road. Oh, and did you know that Sarah is now P-word? Really. She and Bob weren't planning for it until later, but now they're very happy about it."

Didn't they use any C-things? "Cigarettes?" No. You know, C-things. "Oh, right. Well, I guess that one night dur-

ing the S-word they just forgot, and now a K-thing is on the way."

You decide to shift the ground away from the G-word to something less frivolous by asking what R.S. thinks of the upcoming elections.

"It drives me crazy. The candidates all deny they are the L-word or the C-word. They even deny they are the LL-word (limousine liberal) or the GL-word (guilty liberal). They won't even mention the T-word even though they promise increases in social programs. They don't explain specifically what they would do about national D-care, our F-policy or how we can stop the C-thing from spreading, the D-word from rising and the E-word from getting worse?"

What? "Day care, foreign policy, Commu-

nism, federal deficit and the environment. All the candidates should admit they are just P-words."

P-words? "Politicians."

After work you eat a large dinner of chicken, salad and S-stuff (spinach), washed down with V-8 juice. After dinner, you crash out in front of the T-tube during an episode of "T-Square V-Squad" about a group of mathematical nerds turned cops who are cleaning up Times Square. Very soon you are in the S-state and doing the D-thing about the federal D-word, E-word, T-word, D-Care and F-policy. It is a linguistic nightmare.

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If there's Bush litmus test, perhaps it should be for courts

BOSTON — It was enough to make the anti-abortion shock troops impale themselves on their pike.

George Herbert Walker Bush, the great white hope of the right-to-lifers, was saying that abortion shouldn't be a political litmus test.

The direct descendant of Ronald Reagan had passed just such a test in the primaries. He'd come out aggressively in favor of a constitutional ban against abortion. The Republican platform itself had passed the same test with flying colors: "The unborn child has a fundamental individual right to life which cannot be infringed."

But now the candidate was sounding dangerously open-minded. Talking about abortion, he said: "Nobody in our party takes a litmus test that says that everybody has to agree on every issue."

This was anathema to the gang that spends days trying to break up rallies for Michael Dukakis. And many of them were already a touch suspicious of the gentleman from Kennecottport. After all, his politics were conceived in the days when conservatives like Barry Goldwater didn't believe in government intru-



Ellen Goodman

sion. Bush had gotten on the constitutional bandwagon in 1980. But now, eight years later, he was admitting, perhaps even bragging, that some of his best friends and key supporters are pro-choice. The campaign's co-chair, Rep. Lynn Martin, is one. So is Deborah Steelman, his domestic policy adviser. And so, you can bet your bottom dollar, are some members of the Bush family.

More to the point, the Republican was wobbling on the platform which banned abortion with no ifs, ands or buts; with no dispensation for cases of incest, rape or the health of the mother. In the same interview, Bush suggested that he favored these exceptions.

Was there a waffle afoot? Should the right-to-lifers insist on a urinary-lysis test to see if George would still pass? What we are into is phase two of the Bush campaign. In phase one he

whacked, in phase two he welcomed. He went from immolating Dukakis with the American flag to making commercials calling for a gentler, kinder nation. He went from feeding red meat to the right, to proffering a well-balanced meal to the middle.

The pragmatic politician can, you see, read numbers. On the matter of abortion, the public attitude is quite clear. Only 10 percent of Americans believe we should ban them all. Even among Republicans, 73 percent believe that abortion should be a private matter between a woman and her doctor. The swing voters both candidates are wooing are solidly pro-choice. Bush already has the right-to-life

voters in his pocket, no matter how itchy they may feel in there. What he wants to do is to appear just moderate enough to appeal to Reagan Democrats. Republican pollster Linda Bi-calle once said that the party goal was to have Democrats say, "Now there's a Republican I can vote for."

Is it enough that Bush has retreated from the right right? Kate Michelman, the head of the National Abortion Rights Action League, says no. "We aren't being asked to elect his staff for the majority of Republicans," she says. "We are being asked to elect George Bush, who opposes abortion and favors adoption." This week NARAL endorsed Dukakis.

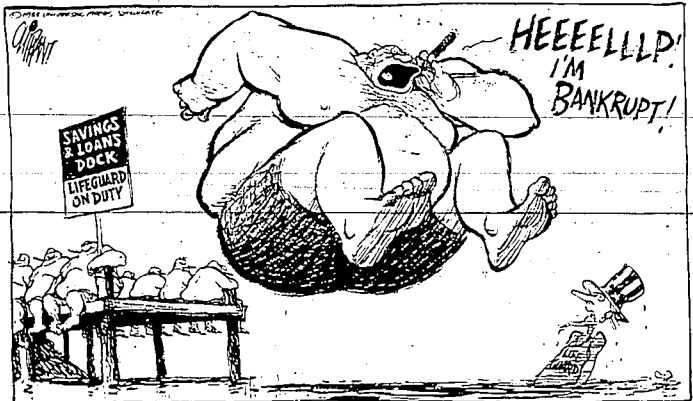
The bottom line is that Bush believes Roe v. Wade, the Supreme Court decision upholding choice, should be overturned. As the President, the man who chooses judges, he could pretty much assure that it would happen. The part of the Republican platform he hasn't criticized calls for "the appointment of judges at all levels of the judiciary who respect...the sanctity of innocent human life."

Under this rubric, Ronald Reagan has appointed half of all the federal judges now sitting. We are beginning to see these results. In one circuit court this year, an ideological bloc of Reagan judges upheld a law forcing

pregnant girls to search out and notify both parents before getting an abortion. In other appeals courts, Reagan appointees reluctantly ruled for choice only because of Roe.

Now the Supreme Court, with three Reagan appointees, hangs uncertainly. The next President will surely have more appointments to make. So I am delighted that Bush includes pro-choice people in his inner circle. But the question isn't whether there's a litmus test for politicians. It's whether this politician has one — a familiar hand-me-down one — for the courts.

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Letters/ Writer wonders about an unidentified person

Individual should appear

Mr. Fuller and Mr. Minert, you say that Kistler's charge of DUI was dropped, not because he is a police officer, but because no one could find that he was legally drunk at the time of the accident.

To prove or "disprove" this, wouldn't it be neat if this unidentified person would come forward and settle this? Isn't it so very convenient for Kistler that this person just dropped out of the picture?

And again, let me point out, a "trained" police officer failing to get the name of the person that gave him a ride?

I still think that, drunk at the time of the accident or not, Kistler was legally drunk when the police arrive!

Now if this is the way things are done, let's all remember this case and if any of us is ever involved in an accident and is charged with a DUI, let's make the police prove that we were drunk when it happened.

Let's tell them that we just had a few beers to settle our nerves while we were waiting for them to show up. And make them prove otherwise! (Now doesn't this sound stupid?)

I wonder why this unidentified person hasn't come forward, and why the police haven't tried to find him or her?

ROXANNA BOWMAN

Twin Falls

'Beliefs' raise a question

Teachers show bigotry, superstitions in "survey" reads the headline above an AP press release Sunday, Sept. 11.

My immediate reaction was: there are too many "abuses" in this piece for the reporter to have done his homework the way he should have, and then came the questions:

1. What, exactly, are those superstitious beliefs which are not specified? Could they belong to our many Christian teachers?

2. What assurance is there that this, apparently picked up within 24 hours from another local paper, throws a true light for the sake of catching our attention?

3. Can a reporter seem so ignorant of newspaper-reporting finds still be totally believable? He seems ignorant of the man tracks along side and crossing dinosaur tracks found both near Glenrose, Tex. (where limestone under and alongside the Paluxy River is eroding

layer by layer) and at Agate Springs, Utah. 4. Is the result of a survey responded to by about 1% of any group valid proof? Valid enough to warrant painting such an accusatory finger at them? I wonder.

5. Have we reached the point where the faith of anyone can be called anything by either reporter or professor - without being challenged? In this press release personal conviction takes the beating of being referred to as "superstitious beliefs and pseudo-scientific beliefs" as the main cause of a poor scoring by an association which probably none of us ever heard of.

6. Last, but not least: How smart is it to be shortsighted enough to ignore the many dissenting voices worldwide, of bona fide, accredited scientists, expert in their field, against being allowed any publication of what fits well enough within the framework, which all the new discoveries can no longer help sustain and in which they themselves can no longer believe?

They strain against the band of theories which seem obsolete or fast becoming so, and they are beginning to let their voices ring from inside and outside the churches; inside and outside scientific communities; and from many different quarters besides the so-called creationists.

ELIZABETH WERNER
Hazelton

Suicide will become worse

Confusion, depression, or reprobate mind confusion comes from a carnal mind and the spirit of satan, not God. One leads to the other. They spell trouble, sickness and maybe suicide.

I read on Aug. 26, about suicidal people. They said a suicidal person was confused. A confused mind does not know which way to go. Someone has failed to share faith in God with them, parents, friends, churches, there is so many different ones, that in itself is confusing and schools, they no longer let them read the Bible.

I am afraid religion must take the blame for most of that because they were afraid some one would teach their religion and could be worse than not having any, if it is in a church and not Jesus Christ.

I am afraid suicide will only get worse because of the lack of truth if they don't get it at

home, they won't get it at school.

When I was in school in the late 20s and 30s my teacher always read a few verses of the Bible before we began the day. She did not comment or pray, but we got the truth.

Our nation was founded on faith in God. We say to our flag, "one nation, under God." Our courts have taken Bible reading out of schools, I wonder when they will take the flag.

If churches would listen to one nation under God, we would have oneness and unity in God, then we would have Christianity and not self religion. Our schools teach only success and money and sex prevention. That can turn to pride and that brings computation and it can lead to envy which is jealousy. All that can bring strife and hostility to someone and further away from God.

O, that our nation would get back to God, like we were in the beginning. Knowledge belongs to God and with him we don't know how to handle it, right? It brings problems we can't solve. In the end will it bring destruction. Will man help bring this world to an end?

We get the cart before the horse in education, we put knowledge before righteousness, it should be first and education second that it might benefit mankind and not just self.

Man is born with a carnal mind, so his trouble starts at birth. I have tested and tried can help. I know He can be our answer. If I can help with my prayers and knowledge of God I will do my best. Whoever you are, black, white, brown or yellow, any time day, or night, yours in Christ.

ED MEYERS
Jerome

Board action challenged

On Sept. 7, 1988, Alton (Tiny) Mothershead, custodian of Hansen High School was told by Supt. Dick Smith that he would receive a letter from the Hansen School Board informing him that as of Oct. 1, 1988 he would no longer be employed by the Hansen School District.

Smith's reason: Alton's work wasn't satisfactory. This seems rather strange considering that Alton has been working for the Hansen School District for almost 15 years, and has been a faithful, loyal worker, not only doing his job, but for approximately 10 years used his own pickup to run errands for the school with no reimbursement for gas, mileage, etc. The other custodian has been ill quite often

the past two years and Alton has been the only custodian trying to do the work that both men normally do.

I also understand that in the years Alton has been employed in Hansen schools, he has never been late or missed any work, with the exception of a possible five days total sick leave. I have talked with parents and students who speak very highly of Alton. Maybe the parents and students should come forth and speak up for someone they care about.

Alton received his letter today, Sept. 13, from the board of trustees of the Hansen school district, but with no explanation of any evaluation as to him being fired.

Are we dealing with facts here, or maybe politics? Who sets the rules of the employees at Hansen schools? Who monitors these rules? I can't believe a superintendent would want the job of checking every area to see if it was properly cleaned and which custodian didn't clean which door.

Does one of the board members check the schools daily to see if everything is cleaned to suit him or her? I have served on many boards and never felt that checking any of the buildings was my job. Regardless of who is responsible for seeing that this work is done, it would seem appropriate to me that a written evaluation be given to an employee and the employee given the opportunity to correct any wrong doing.

You may wonder why I am so concerned about this situation since I live in Twin Falls and have no children or grandchildren in schools in the Hansen district.

1. I care about others.

2. I have worked as a volunteer in the court system for the past 17 years trying to help others to help themselves.

3. Alton married my sister in Nov. 1985 and has been one of the best friends I have ever known. He has stood by our family in some pretty sorrowful times, never complaining. He always went to work and still tried to console us. He is a Christian man. He is not a gossip.

He always finds good things in everyone. He served our country and is a 20 percent disabled veteran. Being 59 years old, won't be able to find another job, but especially a job and people he worked with and loved so much.

4. I am a member of NAVCO - National Association of Volunteers in Criminal Justice, so you can see why I would not sit back without informing the people of Hansen as to what's going on.

I have no complaints regarding the other custodian — but doesn't it seem strange that one man be blamed for all the work that's supposed to be done by the two men?

I understand there will be a board meeting of the school board of trustees in Hansen on Monday night, Sept. 19. Anyone interested in voting an opinion might want to attend this.

MAIRGE HOOPS
Twin Falls

Declining trend to continue

America is a nation in financial, political, moral and spiritual decline. We have forgotten God and the principles and ideology which helped us to become the greatest nation in history.

This trend is likely to be continued in this election (and beyond) until some mind-boggling crisis shakes Americans out of their apathy, complacency, and preoccupation with their own personal affluence and well being, and turns them (as a people) back to God. God will not bless a people who have forgotten Him.

Unfortunately the coming election is a now situation for freedom loving Americans.

The choice for president is probably the worst in our 212 year history: A dedicated leftist versus a liberal "yes man" for the Eastern Liberal Establishment.

On the far left we have Michael Dukakis, backed by virtually every left-wing organization in America and on the left we have George Bush, backed by David Rockefeller, the Trilateral Commission, the Council on Foreign Relations, virtually the entire Liberal Eastern Establishment and probably Mikhail Gorbachev.

Gorbachev believes he can get more aid and concessions from the Republicans — as he did from the Reagan Administration. Heads we lose; tails we lose. Dukakis will disarm America before the Soviet Bear; Bush will merge us with the Soviets.

Ron Paul, who is running for President on the Libertarian ticket to former Conservative Republican Congressman is the only free market, strongly anti-communist, non-establishment candidate in the race in November. He is definitely the most freedom-oriented of any of the candidates for President. A strong protest vote for him could help change the downward direction of our country.

MR. AND MRS. ADRIAN ARP
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Speaker Wright tells his side of the story

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Speaker Jim Wright, testifying under oath, gave a lengthy defense Wednesday of his actions in a closed-door session before the House ethics committee and said he hoped the probe would be over before Congress adjourns next month.

Wright, D-Texas, also said the investigation that has hung over him since it was formally begun last June is a "reminder" that members of Congress do live in glass houses.

We should be prepared to conduct our affairs with such rectitude that people can't find anything wrong."

Speaking to reporters after a two-hour morning session before the panel, formally known as the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, Wright reiterated his belief that he would be exonerated on the six counts against him. Wright later returned for an afternoon session with the committee.

"I'm just absolutely certain I have not violated any rules of this House ... or knowingly have done anything that violates any ethical standard," the speaker said.

Of the panel's inquiry, Wright said "in a sense it's a fine thing, it's a wholesome thing that even the speaker himself is amenable to the rules" that call for a probe anytime a complaint is lodged against a House member.

But he said he fully expected that the investigation will be completed by the time the House adjourns in early October. "I do not want it left dangling. I want it resolved," he said.

He pronounced himself "very, very happy" to finally be called to testify. "I've looked forward to this for more than three months."

The ethics committee has subpoenaed numerous witnesses in connection with the complaints filed against Wright by Rep. Newt Gingrich.



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A suspect in the hostage-taking is instructed by a police officer (foreground) to put his hands over his head

Gunman surrenders; releases 11 hostages

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — A man claiming he wanted to promote peace in Lebanon held 11 people at gunpoint at a military recruiting center Wednesday before releasing them unharmed and surrendering.

The gunman, identified as Samuel Eloud, 20, of suburban Henrico County, was being held at county police headquarters on 11 counts of abduction and 11 counts of use of a firearm in commission of a felony, authorities said.

Police Sgt. Joe Sands said Eloud described himself to police during telephone negotiations as being of Lebanese descent and said he had two armed companions.

The gunman began releasing his captives after two local radio stations broadcast a statement, but his goal was not immediately clear and he made no specific threats, said Sands.

Slight and wearing a yellow T-shirt, jeans and sneakers, Eloud

walked out of the center about 10 minutes after his last hostage, placed an AK-47 and what looked like ammunition clips on the ground, then went back inside and emerged with a pistol, which he also put down.

He placed his hands on top of his head as directed by police officers, who handcuffed him and led him away.

The gunman seized the U.S. Armed Forces Recruiting Center about 9:15 a.m., taking hostage nine military personnel and two civilians.

A Marine recruiter reporting for work about 9:30 a.m. spotted the gunman through the front window and went to an adjacent store to call police, said police Lt. C.M. Scheswenter. The gunman also telephoned police and remained in contact with a negotiator for the next 4 hours.

He released the first hostages, a female civilian and a high-school senior, about 12:15 p.m.

Judge won't dismiss charges in drowning

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) — A military judge Wednesday denied a defense motion to dismiss all charges against a Navy rescue-swimmer instructor standing court-martial for the drowning of a teen-age recruit.

Cmdr. Newell D. Krogmann gave no explanation for his ruling in the case of Petty Officer 2nd Class Michael Combe, accused of involuntary manslaughter, battery and conspiracy to commit battery in the death of Airman Recruit Lee Mirecki.

The 19-year-old trainee from Appleton, Wis., drowned March 2 in a pool at Pensacola Naval Air Station.

Marine Capt. James Royce, one of the lawyers for the 28-year-old defendant from Tempe, Ariz., contended the prosecution, which rested Tuesday, had presented insufficient evidence to prove his client's guilt.

Combe helped other instructors toss Mirecki back into the pool after the panicked recruit climbed out and tried to quit the voluntary training, and then forced the victim's head under water, witnesses have testified.

Royce argued that Combe and other instructors adhered to what they considered normal procedures in dealing with an unwilling trainee.

"You cannot have a conspiracy to commit what you believe to be a lawful act," Royce said.

But the lead prosecutor, Lt. Cmdr. Larry Wynne, argued the instructors' actions were illegal.

On the involuntary manslaughter charge, Royce contended there was no culpable negligence because Combe didn't know Mirecki had a phobia about being dragged under water.

Dukakis, Bush will debate 2nd time in Los Angeles

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (AP) — Michael Dukakis and George Bush will hold their second presidential debate in Los Angeles, and the vice presidential candidates will debate Oct. 5 in Omaha, Neb., Dukakis campaign officials said Wednesday.

A debate Sep. 25 in Winston-Salem, N.C., had previously been announced. The date for the Los Angeles debate will be either Oct. 13 or Oct. 14, depending on the major league baseball playoffs.

The Dukakis officials also provided

previously unresolved details on the format of the debates.

The 90-minute debates will include questioning by a moderator and three panelists. There will be two minutes for answering each question a candidate is asked, and

one minute for the opponent to add his opinion.

Each candidate will have two minutes for closing statements.

The candidates will be standing, as the Dukakis campaign had wanted.

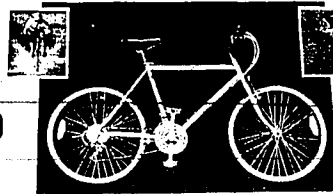
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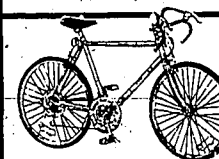
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Rice farmers seek trade assistance

WASHINGTON (AP) — American rice farmers complained Wednesday that their crops are being frozen out of the Japanese market and asked for government help including trade retaliation if needed.

"The time has come for the government of Japan to take the steps necessary for us to compete in our market," Sen. David Pryor, D-Ark., told a news conference at which the action was announced.

Groups representing rice producers and millers asked U.S. Trade Representative Clayton K. Yentler for assistance on grounds that Japanese refusal to permit rice imports amounts to an unfair trade barrier.

Yentler has 45 days to decide whether to take the case. If he did so, the next step would be to engage in talks with the Japanese.

If that failed, the government would seek relief under the 97-nation General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT). Failure to get results after two years of GATT negotiations would require retaliation under the new trade law approved by Congress and signed by President Reagan this summer.

Japan is the American farmer's best customer. It bought more than \$5.5 billion worth of U.S. agricultural products last year and is expected to account for \$6.9 billion in purchases this year, more than any other country.

Panel OKs bill sanctioning South Africa

Knight-Ridder Service

WASHINGTON — The Senate Foreign Relations Committee Wednesday approved stricter sanctions against the white minority government of South Africa, but supporters acknowledged that the legislation faces a tough fight on the Senate floor.

The measure, which would embargo most U.S. trade and require withdrawal of American business investment in South Africa within a year, was approved on a 10-9 vote, with all Republicans opposing it. The Senate is expected to vote on the proposal by the end of the month. The House passed similar legislation last month.

The committee added a last-minute amendment to eliminate penalties against foreign-owned companies doing business in South Africa when bidding in the United States for oil leases. The British Embassy had already threatened reprisals against U.S. firms if the penalties were enforced. Shell Oil and British Petroleum (both British-owned) have substantial holdings in South Africa.

"I'm quite confident that we are stronger because of this," said Sen. Alan Cranston, D-Calif., the sponsor of the bill who offered the amendment.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. merchandise trade deficit showed the biggest improvement in almost six years in July, a dramatic 25 percent narrowing that reflected a big decline in Americans' appetite for foreign goods, the government reported Wednesday.

The Commerce Department said the difference between what the United States imports and what it sells abroad shrank to \$9.5 billion in July, down \$3.6 billion from a June deficit of \$13.2 billion.

The Reagan administration lost no time hailing the huge decline as proof that the administration's economic strategy of fighting soaring trade deficits with a devaluation of the dollar was paying off.

In a speech in Cape Girardeau, Mo., President Reagan called the trade figures "very good" news that proved that "when America goes into the market to compete, we play to win."

The 28 percent June-to-July decrease was the biggest monthly improvement since a 35.7 percent narrowing in September 1982 and gave

the country the lowest overall imbalance since December 1984, when the deficit was \$8 billion.

While the trade deficit has been showing improvement for most of this year, the gains have all been on the export side, reflecting the fact that the weaker dollar has made American products competitive once again on overseas markets.

Imports, however, had remained at stubbornly high levels. Analysts said this made the July drop particularly encouraging.

"The big story is the tremendous improvement in imports, suggesting that Americans might finally be beginning to buy more American," said Allen Sinai, chief economist of the Boston Co.

"Imports are declining because we have finally found a price high enough to stop consumers from buying imported goods," said Jay Goldinger, an economist with Capital Insight, a Los Angeles investment firm.

But other economists cautioned that it was far too early to determine whether the import drop was the be-

ginning of a long-term trend. They noted that the decline to \$35.99 billion was down from a record high level of \$39.50 billion in June.

"I don't think we have reached some kind of watershed where all of a sudden consumers have decided they no longer want to buy foreign goods," said David Wyss, an economist with Data Resources Inc., a Lexington, Mass., forecasting firm.

The July deficit was substantially better than economists had expected. The government did, however, boost the June deficit to \$13.2 billion from the originally reported \$12.5 billion.

For the first seven months of this year, the U.S. trade deficit has been running at an annual average of \$13.75 billion, down 19.3 percent from the record \$170.3 billion deficit suffered in 1987.

This improvement has contributed more than half of total economic growth this year and economists expected further economic momentum from the trade performance in the second half of the year, good news for Republican George Bush's presidential chances.

In a second report Wednesday, the government said that industrial output rose a moderate 0.2 percent in August, pushing production up a healthy 5.3 percent over a year ago. Much of this gain reflects the boom in export sales that American companies have enjoyed.

In July, exports climbed 0.7 percent to \$26.5 billion, the fifth straight month they have exceeded \$25 billion. The July improvement came from a variety of areas, led by a \$900 million rise in sales of U.S. manufactured products.

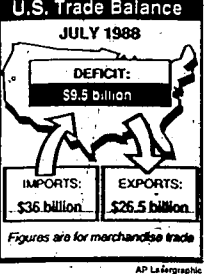
The big drop in imports came primarily in capital goods for businesses, which fell by \$1.2 billion to \$8 billion. This category had risen sharply the previous month as U.S. companies had looked abroad for the equipment needed to expand their own production facilities.

Also dropping sharply in July were car imports, which fell by \$803 million with almost all of that decline coming from a drop in shipments of cars from Canada.

Financial markets, which over the past year have been thrown into a

tailspin by unexpectedly bad monthly trade figures, gave a generally lukewarm response to the good news Thursday. Stock and bond prices and the dollar all posted modest gains.

As usual, the country suffered its biggest deficit with Japan, a \$4.4 billion imbalance, which was unchanged from June. The deficit with Western Europe rose to \$2.3 billion.



FBI Director Sessions disciplines staffers for terrorism probe

WASHINGTON (AP) — FBI Director William Sessions suspended three FBI employees and censured three others Thursday for negligently operating what he said was a "broad terrorism probe into a group opposing the Reagan administration's Central American policies."

All those disciplined were lower- and mid-level employees. The suspensions were for 14 days without pay.

Sessions said top-level officials had been unaware the bureau was collecting information "on rank-and-file members" of the Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador who he said had "nothing to do with international terrorism."

Sessions said there is no evidence that the White House or any other government agency or outside group attempted to influence the CISPESS probe. The investigation took place between March 1983 and June 1985 when William Webster was FBI director. Sessions became FBI head last November, after Webster was



WILLIAM SESSIONS
Announces staff discipline

named CIA director. Sessions, testifying before the Senate Intelligence Committee, vowed to institute changes that would keep top bureau officials fully apprised of sensitive terrorism investigations that might impinge on constitutional rights.

The CISPESS probe began in March 1983 based largely on information from a now-discredited informant in Dallas, Frank Varella, alleging the group was supplying financial support to two terrorist organizations and preparing for terrorist activities in the United States.

Varella's background was not checked, he was not properly and thoroughly reviewed and there was just negligence all the way along the line, Sessions told the committee. Sessions said that without the Varella claims of terrorist activity, there would have been an insufficient basis to investigate CISPESS.

Committee chairman Sen. David Boren, D-Okla., suggested that much of Varella's information came from unproven allegations published in a right-wing magazine in Mexico.

Sessions disciplined a supervisor and former assistant special agent in charge of the Dallas FBI office and a supervisor in another unspecified bureau, along with a field supervisor, unit chief and section chief.

Senate confirms Brady, 92-2

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate voted overwhelmingly Wednesday to confirm investment banker and former Sen. Nicholas F. Brady as Treasury secretary in time for a major international meeting in West Berlin next week.

Brady, 58, of New Jersey, who was confirmed by 92-2, will be attending his first meeting of the Group of Seven, composed of finance ministers from the United States, Japan, West Germany, Great Britain, France, Italy and Canada.

Sensors from both parties wanted a strong show of confidence to strengthen their Republican former colleague's hand at the gathering, where Brady's predecessor, James A. Baker III, was held in high regard.

Two Democrats, however, ignored appeals from Sens. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y., and Bob Packwood, R-Ore., for unanimity.

Nothing could serve the Congress or the country more than to give Nick Brady a unanimous vote of approval, said Packwood, top GOP member of the Senate Finance Committee.

Democratic Sens. Kent Conrad of North Dakota and Harry Reid of Nevada opposed the nomination. Brady was criticized for saying during his confirmation hearing that the federal government could grow its way out of the budget deficit.

Mr. Brady says, "Don't worry, we'll grow out of it. Well the truth is different and the truth will out, Conrad said. "I was disappointed that Mr. George Bush's campaign."

Although Brady is expected to do little more than serve as a caretaker this year, he likely will stay at Treasury if Bush wins in November.

Brady, who lives on a 4,000-acre estate in New Jersey's horse country, is co-chairman of Dillon Read & Co., an old-line Wall Street investment firm. He joined it in 1954 after receiving a master's degree in business from Harvard University and a bachelor's degree from Yale University.

In 1982, he was a U.S. senator from New Jersey for eight months, appointed by the governor to replace Democrat Harrison A. Williams Jr.

Brady was telling the country we really don't need to worry... (because deficits) threaten in a real way the economic security of our nation," he added.

Brady's confirmation hearing Tuesday, before the finance committee, which voted 15-0 to recommend the Senate confirm President Reagan's nomination of him for the Treasury post, Brady gave generally upbeat remarks on the prospects for reducing the budget and trade deficits.

Brady praised both the administration and Congress for efforts to reduce the budget deficit from \$220 billion in 1986 to an estimated \$150 billion this year and predicted it would continue to decline.

"I do think we can grow our way out of this," he said, adding at another point, "I see no reason at this moment why taxes have to be raised."

He also said, "The trade deficit is going to come down and one of the surprises of the next two or three years is how fast it will come down."

Brady, after taking office, will be the third Treasury secretary to serve under Reagan. Donald Regan held the Cabinet post from 1981 to 1985, turning it over to Baker who resigned Aug. 17 to head Republican George Bush's campaign.

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By The Associated Press

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American observers see Soviet nuclear device set off in Asia

SEMPALATINSK, U.S.S.R. (AP) — The hand heaved and windows broke more than two miles away Wednesday when the Soviet Union detonated a underground nuclear bomb for the first American experts to witness a Soviet nuclear blast.

The Americans stood in a chilly wind on the barren test site at the Forward Command Post Semipalatinsk Polygon about 1,700 miles southeast of Moscow in the republic of Kazakhstan.

The wind blew the Soviet and American flags in the direction of the test range, far from the nearest settlement on the steppes of Soviet Central Asia and a four-hour bus ride from the city of Semipalatinsk.

As the shock wave rippled out, the ground shook and a low rumble began. Within moments of the 11 a.m. blast, a reddish dust cloud rolled above the spot where Soviet scientists planted a nuclear device in a shaft drilled 642 yards into hard rock.

Some observers seemed a bit queasy from their proximity to ground zero, only 2.4 miles away. Soviet observers watching a similar test on Aug. 17 in Palute Mesa, Nev., remained about 30 miles from the blast site — too far away to feel the impact. It was the first time Soviet experts were allowed to see a U.S. nuclear test and monitor it with their own equipment.

After Wednesday's test, the Soviet scientists quickly checked their instruments and announced they had obtained the data necessary to determine the force of the blast.

The information was gathered in a few milliseconds of a second before the explosion destroyed the sensor cable buried a few yards from the nuclear device. The Soviets and the Americans, who monitored the blast with U.S. technology, have agreed to release the data within a month.

The blast was designed to have a force of 100 to 150 kilotons, about 10 times that of the atomic bomb the Americans dropped on Hiroshima, Japan, at the end of World War II.

Brezhnev's grandson says smear campaign hurting family

MOSCOW (AP) — Leonid I. Brezhnev's grandson said in an article published Wednesday that growing criticism of the former Soviet leader has turned into a smear campaign that is



Testing ground chiefs Nick Akvelina of U.S. and Soviets' Lt. Gen. A. Ilyenko shake hands at Semipalatinsk site

but less powerful than the multi-megaton hydrogen bombs detonated in the atmosphere at the height of nuclear testing in the 1960s.

A kiloton is equivalent to the explosion of 1,000 tons of TNT.

The Hagfors Observatory of the Swedish Defense Research Establishment said the Semipalatinsk explosion measured between 50 and 150 kilotons.

The joint experiment was the culmination of a "dream for many experts who have spent their careers watching and studying their counterparts from a distance," said C. Paul Robinson, the chief U.S. negotiator at the Geneva talks on limiting nuclear tests.

"We are extremely pleased," said Deputy U.S. Energy Secretary Joseph Salgado Salgado. "The experiment went very well for both sides."

Igor M. Palenych, head of the Soviet observation team, said, "If the Americans had any doubt about our

level of science and technology in a nuclear field, now they know."

Both sides expressed confidence the test explosion would lead to ratification of treaties limiting the size of underground nuclear blasts.

At a news conference in a trailer village that served as the command post for the test, Salgado said Wednesday's experiment and the one like it in Nevada "have demonstrated the effectiveness and non-intrusiveness of CORTEX," the U.S. technology developed to gauge the force of nuclear explosions.

Lt. Gen. Arkady D. Ilyenko, chief of the Semipalatinsk test site, said it was too early to determine whether the American method was non-intrusive — meaning it does not interfere with the blast or pick up other data the country doing the testing would like to keep secret.

Ilyenko called for a continuing search for simpler, more precise measuring techniques.

hurling him and other family members.

But a second article by a well known journalist indicated the attacks on Brezhnev, centered on the

bribery trial of his son-in-law, Yuri Churbinov, is not about to stop.

The journalist, Pyotr Burlatsky, also shed some light on how Brezhnev assumed power in 1964.

Ransom hinted for W. German; paper reports

BONN, West Germany (AP) — A ransom of \$22.2 million may have been paid to release a West German hostage despite a round of denials from his employer and government officials, a newspaper reported Wednesday.

The Hamburg-based mass-circulation daily Bild said the money was deposited into Arabian bank accounts to secure the freedom of Rudolf Cordes, who arrived home Tuesday night after 20 months of captivity.

Cordes, 55, Beirut manager for the Hoechst AG pharmaceutical company, was released by his pro-Iranian Shiite Muslim kidnappers late Monday night. He was first taken to Damascus, Syria.

Wolfgang Schaeuble, who heads the federal government's Middle East crisis group, strongly denied that money was paid for Cordes' release.

"There were no deals. There were no conditions," said Schaeuble.

"The release was secured through talks and the help of Iranian and Syrian officials," he said.

Arafat issues an appeal for European support

The Washington Post

STRASBOURG, France — Yasser Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, appealed to European governments Wednesday for assurances they would recognize a provisional PLO government for the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.


Arafat, who conferred with Foreign Minister Roland Dumas of France and other leaders at the European Parliament here, strongly suggested that signals of support for this idea would make such a decision more likely after an extensive policy debate—under way—within the PLO leadership.

I am wondering whether European governments will recognize a

provisional government if that is the path chosen," Arafat said at a news conference. That is a very important question. Certainly it will influence our decision.

The PLO leader, who wound up a two-day visit at the invitation of the parliament's Socialist group, went out of his way to portray his movement as a peace-seeking organization and to emphasize a desire for negotiations with Israel in the context of an international conference under U.N. auspices.

French Jewish groups that loudly protested Arafat's visit, his first to France, had asserted it was particularly inopportune because Monday marked the beginning of Jewish new-year celebrations.



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South African police kill 3 bus hijackers

MASERU, Lesotho (AP) — South African police Wednesday night attacked hijackers holding a busload of pilgrims going to see Pope John II and said three hijackers and a young woman hostage were killed in the shootout.

Eleven passengers were wounded and a fourth hijacker was arrested, South African police headquarters said.

Lesotho government officials said 71 hostages were in the bus.

The military government of Lesotho, a black kingdom that lies inside South Africa's borders, requested South African help in handling the hijacking.

There was no immediate government statement on the shootout.

Police said the shootout took place when the hijackers tried to drive the bus through the closed gates of the British High Commission, or embassy, in Maseru.

Reporters were barred from the area at the time of the shootout, but later they saw the bus, its windows shot out, lying wrecked in the high commission courtyard just inside the gate.

South African police said officers returned fire after the hijackers began shooting. Police said the hostage casualties were "apparently caused by the wild firing of the hijackers. They said no policemen were injured."

The shooting broke out about 20 minutes after the pope arrived in Maseru, eight hours behind schedule. The hijackers earlier demanded to meet

with the pope and Lesotho's king, Moshoeshoe II, a government official said.

After nightfall, gunfire and explosions were heard at the site where the bus was parked, and flames lit up the sky.

Reporters were blocked from getting close enough to the scene to see the shootout, but they saw ambulances taking casualties to a hospital.

Police ordered journalists at the scene to disperse and then chased them away with whips. The pope arrived in this mountain kingdom after an overland journey from Johannesburg, where bad weather forced his plane to make an unscheduled landing. John Paul met Foreign Minister Piko Botha at the airport and was briefed about the hijacking before leaving for Lesotho.

Pope makes unplanned stop in Johannesburg

MASERU, Lesotho (AP) — Pope John Paul II and his entourage rolled into this mountain kingdom in a convoy of buses and limousines Wednesday after bad weather forced an unscheduled stop in South Africa.

The pope, a firm critic of apartheid, had intended to bypass South Africa on his tour of five neighboring black-ruled nations.

But his flight from Botswana to Lesotho was diverted, and he spent three hours at Johannesburg's Jan Smuts Airport before heading overland in a police-escorted convoy to rain-soaked Lesotho, about 270 miles away.

Members of Lesotho's military council greeted the pontiff at the border, but crowds along the

route into Maseru were sparse because of the wet, chilly weather.

John Paul did not kiss the ground in Johannesburg, as he customarily does the first time he visits a country, and made no public statements there. He conferred privately with Foreign Minister Piko Botha.

Four gunmen, meanwhile, held about 20 nuns, schoolgirls and other pilgrims hostage after hijacking their bus as they traveled to see the pope. A passenger who escaped said the men were anti-government guerrillas who demanded to meet the pope and King Moshoeshoe II.

South Africa said it sent special police units into Lesotho, at the government's request, to assist if

necessary in dealing with the hijackers. Lesotho is surrounded by South Africa.

Robin Cartwright, pilot of the pope's chartered Air Zimbabwe Boeing 707, earlier circled over Maseru, Lesotho's capital, for 30 minutes before deciding to divert the flight because of low clouds and malfunctioning radio beacons at the airport.

The pope's spokesman, Joaquin Navarro, said John Paul was reading a book of philosophy when he was told of the problem, looked up, and said: "This was not on the schedule."

At Jan Smuts, Botha greeted the pope and accompanied him into a VIP lounge while security forces deployed inside and outside the terminal.

Unrest continues in Burma

Los Angeles Times

BANGKOK, Thailand — Burmese students, workers and Buddhist monks resumed their general strike Wednesday, trying to force a stubborn regime to give way to an interim government.

Hundreds of thousands marched through Rangoon, their pro-democracy chants of past demonstrations replaced by militant threats. "If they don't fall, make them fall," some of them shouted.

"No one's at work," a Rangoon-based Western diplomat said when contacted by telephone from Bangkok.

Life in Rangoon, a city of 3.5 million people, has been paralyzed by the political struggle, and rice and fuel supplies are said to be desperately short.

Opposition political leaders, who took their first unified action Monday when they rejected an insufficient a surprise government agreement to hold multiparty elections, continued their effort to patch together a definitive proposal on an interim regime.

President Maung Maung has said an interim regime is not practicable.

A rival government proclaimed last week by former Prime Minister U Nu has failed to win support in the opposition camp.

The government, meanwhile, has held off on its threats to dislodge protesters occupying government offices nationwide.

"Everybody's just watching each other," the diplomat said.

Three key opposition leaders met this week with a five-man commission appointed by the government to oversee the proposed elections, which could be held as early as next month.

Aung Gyi, a former general who broke with Ne Win in 1963, a year after his coup ended the country's first experiment with democracy, said that he told Ba Htay, the head of the commission: "I am confident you want to hold a free and fair election, but after 26 years of this rule, most people in the country do not know you and will not have confidence in you. People do not trust any government-appointed commission."

Aung Gyi was joined at the meeting by Aung San Suu Kyi, the daughter of Burma's independence leader, Aung San, and Tin Oo.


The government is simply going to have to make further concessions if both sides are going to work together to end all this," the Western diplomat said.

So far, Aung Gyi and the other emerging opposition leaders have resisted the students' militant line.

No violence was reported in Wednesday's massive demonstrations in Rangoon, which were matched by protest marches in Mandalay and other provincial cities. The military made no move to stop the marches.

A small group of demonstrators started a 48-hour hunger strike outside Rangoon's city hall, where in early August protesters were shot.

No looting has been reported in the past few days. Last week, vigilantes in several areas of the capital seized and beheaded a number of men they accused of being government provocateurs trying to spread panic by means of disruptive acts.




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— TJANES 9-15

HEY, GARFIELD! LET'S GO TO THE BEACH!

NOT TODAY

WHERE'S YOUR SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE?

THE SPIRIT IS WILLING BUT THE FLESH IS FAT

TOM DEHAVEN

9-15

SETTLE AN ARGUMENT FOR US DAD. WHAT'S THE MOST IMPORTANT MEAL OF THE DAY?

ANFRUN!

HE SAID: THE NEXT ONE

ANFRUN!

YOU BEAT ALL, Y'KNOW THAT, BRUTUS!

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I SAID, WHERE'S THE KEY?

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THANKS, ELVIS. I'D LIKE TO SAY THIS CAT IS COMING FROM ON A VERY ISSUED, PEOPLE! IT'S GREAT TO BEAT RHYTHMS HERE.

ELVIS, MY PAUL HOGARTH FEEL THE SAME WAY, ITS AN HONEST DIFFERENCE!

HEY, IS THIS OR BODY ON OR MATT LAYS HEAR IT, PEOPLE!

SEE THIS IS HOW I GOT OUT DRESS, AND CAN TELL THE DIFFERENCE ANYMORE?

G.D. Lewis

9-15

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DID YOU READ MY YES, PRESIDENTIAL, I DID
REPORT, ROSS?

AND IF I WERE YOU, BUMSTEAD

YES?

YES?

YES?

IF I WERE YOU, I'D NEVER ADMIT IT

Yikes!
Aaaaaaah!
9-15

[illegible]

GARGUACHE WEARS OIL SHORTS AND DRIVES A VETTE!!

RAMBO USES BABY OIL!!!

GIRLS YOUR CONFLICTS ARE ROOTED IN FEAR. LET'S AIR AND RESOLVE THOSE FEARS!

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FINE, AND YOU?

AM AFRAID YOU MAKE US INVEST IN US STOCK MARKET!

FINE, AND YOU?

DITTO! YOUR ROOM IS ALMOST AS MESSY AS CHIPS!

SORRY, KID, BETTER LUCK NEXT TIME

DARN!

NOW WAIT A MINUTE! YOU TWO HAVE GOT THIS ALL BACKWARD

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10 Fedors and
14 Domesticated
15 — Zola
16 Musical
17 Instrument
18 — Sars
19 Country home
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little
22 Chose
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vowel
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39 Royal seats
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44 Eager
46 — Royle fish
47 Rough cloth
48 Summer drink
51 With fondness
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53 Sneer
55 Make mad
59 In a race
60 — excited
64 Rims
66 Satan's work
67 Large-book
68 — plant
89 Shopper's
delight
70 — snake
71 Raves
72 Snick or —

DOWN
1 Movie bigwig
2 Flutter
3 Last
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4 Scolded
5 Go back
6 Wrong

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Yesterday's Puzzle Solver

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**L.M.
Boyd**
What's what

ence so say the marriage counselors.

series has been seen by a worldwide? Q. What's the motto of the "Man-Will-Never-Fly Society"?
A. "Birds Fly, Men Drink."

declines to argue with this way. Not a sign he or. But when a woman ue with her husband, mean she's truly tired d dangerous signal. Or

Am told the tastiest of the salt substitutes is lemon juice with vinegar. Can you confirm that?

PEAK LOAD

Electric power companies run two

Daily Horoscope

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men sent them scrambling across their network of grids for more power and forced them to upgrade greatly their peak gear. It is the handheld hairdryer.

Q. Who was the first Queen of Egypt and how did she get into that condition?

A. Hatshepsut. She just appointed herself to the job. Then distributed portraits of herself wearing a phony beard.

Too bad about Taurus women. They love to dine out. To dine in, too. They

forward to.

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LAWN MOWING

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WALKER PERCY
Wins award

Creative writing award goes to Walker Percy

ROCKFORD, Ill. (AP) — Novelist Walker Percy, called "a spiritual beacon for a whole generation of readers," became the first American author Wednesday to win the T.S. Eliot Award for Creative Writing.

Percy and sociologist Edward Shils, who won the Ingersoll Foundation's Richard M. Weaver Award for Scholarly Letters, captured the 1988 Ingersoll Prizes.

Percy, 72, of Covington, La., and Shils, 78, of Chicago, were honored because their works "affirm the moral principles of Western civilization," the foundation said in a statement.

Each will receive \$15,000. Since the foundation created its prizes in 1963, all the T.S. Eliot Award winners have been European or Latin American.

Percy is among a very small handful of first-rate novelists that have appeared in America since World War II, said Thomas Fleming, executive secretary of the awards. His best-known books are "The Thanatos Syndrome," "The Second Coming" and "The Moviegoer."

Shils started his career as a research and teaching assistant at the University of Chicago, where he now is a professor.

Shils and Talcott Parsons, another prominent sociologist, co-edited "Toward a General Theory of Action," an influential book in the field. Shils' other works include "The Torrent of Secrecy" and "The Academic Ethic."

Narcotics agents stop Burton during check

GILROY, Calif. (AP) — LeVar Burton, who plays a crew member in "Star Trek: The Next Generation," is seeking an apology from state narcotics agents who detained him briefly.

The agents stopped him for a few minutes in this town near San Jose as part of a check of people that matched a police "profile" of drug couriers from Southern California.

Burton, who was en route to Van Nuys with his girlfriend and had gotten out of his car to add oil when agents approached, said he asked what was happening but an agent told him, "It's none of your business."

A spokesman for the Bureau of Narcotics Enforcement said Wednesday agents were not available for comment.

State narcotics officials confirmed that black and Hispanic men aged 18 to 30 are being stopped by the state Bureau of Narcotics Enforcement because they fit the profile of Los Angeles drug members, who are believed to be trying to export their drug trade.

Burton said he hasn't decided whether he will pursue the matter legally.

Mike Tyson's image sustains body blow

NEW YORK (AP) — Boxing champ Mike Tyson's image has taken some lumps outside the ring in the past few weeks, and it may wallopp his wallet.

Some consultants say Tyson's problems may make advertisers leery of signing him up.

"Nobody wants to lose the customers they already have, and all the negative stuff with him is a way to lose customers," said Lloyd Kalmer, who heads a firm that advises advertisers on signing celebrities for commercials. Since dispatching Michael Spinks

IRS mistake may be costly

WASHINGTON (AP) — Somebody at the Internal Revenue Service forgot to look at the calendar — and the goof could cost the government as much as \$100 million in taxes.

The IRS confirmed today that it was one day late in filing a notice of appeal in an important case — an appeal that some legal experts expect the IRS would have won. An agency spokesman disputed the estimate of what the error could cost.

On May 26, the U.S. Tax Court entered a decision holding that the IRS was wrong in requiring AT&T to pay tax currently on customer security deposits. Under the law, the agency had 90 days to appeal, a period that ended Aug. 24. The notice of appeal was filed Aug. 25.

Understoring this embarrassment

is the fact that the service prevailed in the only appellate decision addressing the issue presented in the AT&T case, reported Tax Notes, an authoritative tax journal. The publication noted a previous appeals court verdict in favor of the IRS in a Florida case involving security deposits paid by gas customers.

A similar case, involving deposits paid to Indianapolis Power & Light Co., has been appealed by the IRS to the 7th Circuit Court of Appeals. Despite the error in the AT&T case, IRS spokesman Frank Keith said today, "IRS has no intention of abandoning its position on customer deposits."

Tax Notes estimated the goof could cost \$100 million in disputed taxes and interest.

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Hamadi denies leading TWA hijackers

FRANKFURT, West Germany (AP) — Confessed hijacker Mohammed Ali Hamadi denied Wednesday that he headed the 1985 TWA hijacking that claimed the life of a U.S. Navy diver and kept 39 Americans captive for 17 days.

Hamadi on Wednesday also accused witnesses of giving false testimony after some said he pleaded over the killing of an American passenger.

The testimony very often deviates far from the truth," Hamadi told the court. "I was not the leader of the commando."

Flight engineer Benjamin Zimmermann of Cascade, Idaho, said on Tuesday that Hamadi pointed with pride to blood stains of murdered U.S. Navy diver Robert Stethem on the airplane fuselage.

Hamadi also said someone else ordered the hijacking. But when asked by Chief Judge Hainer Mueckenberger, he refused to name the man he said ordered it.

"The one who gave us the orders came on board after Beirut two, and took over the command," Hamadi said, referring to the second time the plane landed in Lebanon.

He said the man spoke English well and boarded the plane with Shiite Muslim Amal militiamen in Beirut after Stethem was slain.

TWA Flight 847 pilot John Testrake this week identified Hamadi as the hijacker who shot Stethem to death. Hamadi has admitted taking part in the hijacking but has denied killing Stethem.

The flight from Athens to Rome was hijacked June 14, 1985 and first diverted to Beirut.

Witnesses have testified that the situation became more relaxed on-board the plane after the Amal militia arrived. Negotiations with the hijackers also improved, members of the flight crew said.

Hamadi also told the court that hand grenades carried by the hijackers had been defused.

"We did not want to blow up the plane. We were worried that someone would make a wrong move, cause the grenades to fall and explode and crash the plane," Hamadi said.

Hamadi disputed other testimony that he had gone to the toilet of the aircraft to get arms smuggled onboard the plane.

British postal workers sorting out strike backlog

LONDON (AP) — Postal service picked up Wednesday as more workers returned to their jobs to begin sorting out the backlog of 150 million letters and parcels from a two-week dispute.

Mail boxes will remain sealed, however, until backlogs are mostly cleared, said Post Office spokeswoman Melanie Corfield.

She said 80,000 of the service's 140,000 workers were back at work today, two days after the strike was settled subject to local negotiations over details of workers' return. About 100,000 workers were involved in the stoppage called by the Union of Communication Workers.

"All staff should be back to work Thursday," Ms. Corfield said. "But we will not start unsealing post boxes until the backlog has been dealt with."

She said 34 of the country's 82 major sorting offices were operating and about half of the total 1,500 letter-handling offices had started up again.

In London, only two of the city's 17 major sorting offices were operating, she said. Staff at Glasgow, York and Hull have voted not to return to work.

The limited deliveries made Tuesday had increased today, she said, although she did not have details.

The agreement reached Monday resolved a dispute over regional pay bonuses, an issue that prompted a 24-hour walkout Aug. 31 which later mushroomed into nationwide strikes.

The Post Office wants to pay bonuses to new workers in southeast England where the high cost of living makes retaining workers difficult. The union said it wanted the bonuses paid nationally or not at all.

Under the agreement, local negotiations were to discuss the issue of whether temporary workers would be allowed to sort the backlog, the union said.



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Evaluation clears Kistler

By KEN ARMSTRONG
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A Canyon View Hospital evaluation concludes that Police Commander Jim Kistler has no alcohol problem, city officials said Wednesday.

In light of that finding, City Manager Tom Courtney said he anticipates no action will be taken against Kistler, who pleaded guilty Aug. 31 to a reduced charge of inattentive driving.

"Had the results shown an alcohol problem, we would have ordered treatment as a condition of employment," Courtney said.

Public Safety Chief Tim Qualls said Kistler, who originally was charged with driving under the influence following a one-car accident April 16, will remain head of the department's training division. "He was arrested and had his

day in court," Qualls said. "As far as I'm concerned, it's over with."

Findings from the substance-abuse assessment, ordered by city officials, were issued by the hospital Tuesday. Courtney said Kistler approved release of those results to the news media.

Kistler, 48, declined comment Wednesday.

Following the accident, investigated by the Idaho State Police, Kistler was stripped of the privilege allowing him to take one of the department's cars home.

Magistrate Judge R. Michael Redman fined Kistler \$75 and granted his request for a withheld judgment on the inattentive driving charge. That means all charges will be officially dismissed if Kistler, a Twin Falls police officer for more than 20 years, keeps out of trouble during a one-year, unsupervised probation.

2 witnesses disappeared

By KEN ARMSTRONG
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — After rolling his car April 16, Police Commander Jim Kistler told a county deputy — a friend of Kistler's — that he wanted the deputy to investigate the accident rather than state police, according to court records.

The deputy, James Wood, told Kistler that he could not, citing their friendship and the fact he was the only patrol deputy on duty that night. Pat Mooney, a corporal with the Idaho State Police, arrived at the scene minutes later and was assigned the investigation.

Court records and investigators' recollections trace the events of that Saturday.

The accident occurred on County Road 2000 East northwest of Filer sometime during the pre-dawn hours of April 16. Court records place the time at 2:20 a.m., but Kistler's attorney, James

Meservy, said the time was probably closer to 2:10 a.m.

Kistler, driving a 1985 Mercury Lynx, hit a washboard section where the road turned from pavement to gravel, and his car flipped onto its side, according to court records. The 48-year-old police officer suffered only a slight cut to his head, but damage to the car was estimated at \$3,500.

Kistler, who was traveling with his dog, told Mooney that he was "just out for a drive" and that "he had been down this road many times." Mooney wrote in his report that Kistler was exceeding the 35 mph speed limit, and that the road was straight and dry with no visible obstructions.

Two men, perhaps father and son, apparently found the accident, according to Mooney. Leaving Kistler at the scene, they went to a nearby house and relayed the information to a man in the house. He would not tell them in because of the late hour, but he reported

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Proving DUI can be difficult

By CRAIG LINCOLN
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The critical question for a prosecutor in a drunken driving case is whether he can prove the driver was actually drunk while driving.

That's easy in most cases, lawyers say. But the case gets complicated if nobody saw the accused drunken driver on the road, if a breath test is delayed, or if the driver drinks alcohol between having an accident and undergoing the test.

All three of those factors came into play in the Jim Kistler case.

"In the typical DUI case, a person gets pulled over, is within the view of the police officer all the time, and takes a breath test within 30 minutes to an hour," said Randy Stoker, Twin Falls attorney and outgoing Jerome public defender.

"The case that's difficult is where a guy, after he stops, proceeds to drink alcohol," said Dennis Voorhees, a former deputy prosecutor who practices law in Twin Falls.

One long-time Twin Falls attorney said, "recent consumption" used to be a common defense.

"In the 'olden days,' ... why they'd say carry a jug in a car and have a drink, but it's been a long time since they told you that," lawyer Lloyd Walker said.

"That used to be a very successful defense — yeah, you know, 'I was upset and all, and to calm my nerves, I had a couple more drinks,'" Walker said.

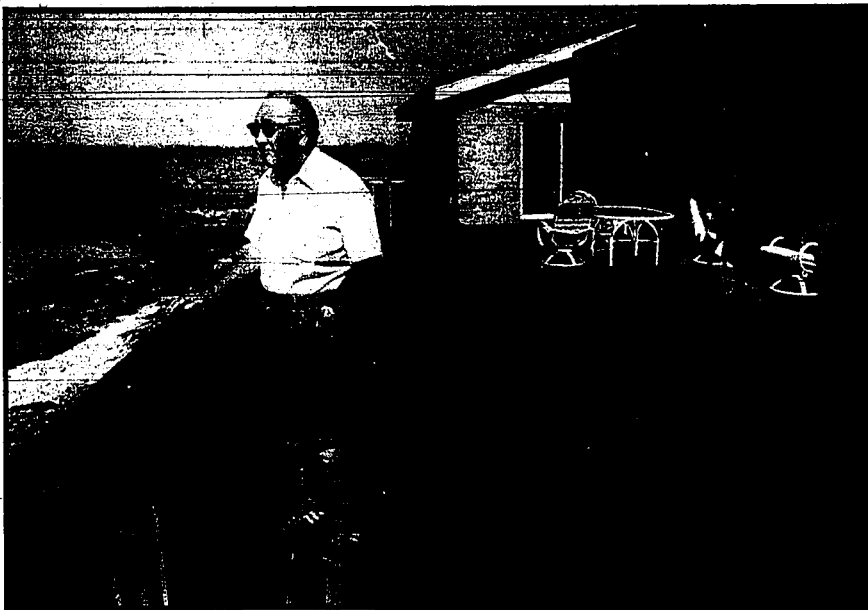
"That would tend to confound the results of a subsequent breath test," Voorhees said.

Dave Sperling, a Boise attorney who has co-written trial practice manuals on DUI cases, said it's critical for the prosecution to pin down the time of the accident.

"In any case that a prosecutor does not know or can't establish within a reasonable time frame when a collision occurs, it's hard to prove," Sperling said. Although Sperling is now a private attorney, he used to work for the Ada County prosecutor's office.

When a prosecutor can't establish the time of an accident, it's

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Frank Yamagata surveys the Snake River Canyon from the deck of a brick mansion built by his brother

Magic Valley native Gene Yamagata built the house for his brother

Canyon-rim mansion may be for sale

By DENISE TURNER
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Gene Yamagata is the man behind the house everyone is talking about.

The house, a 9,600-square-foot brick mansion on the rim of the Snake River Canyon, is priced at more than \$1 million — if Yamagata decides to sell it. Originally planned as a residence for Yamagata's brother, it may have outgrown its intended use, he said.

Yamagata, a successful exporter to Japan, was absent on the day of his house's debut last weekend, when a local real estate company opened the house to a gaudy public. But this week, in a telephone interview just before he was scheduled to begin an overseas trip, Yamagata talked about the reasons for his investment in Twin Falls.

"I built the house in Twin Falls because I was born and raised in the Magic Valley, and I wanted to have a house to come back to," Yamagata said. "My oldest brother Frank and his wife will live in the house."

Yamagata noted that his brother, a retired farmer, loaned him money years ago to get started in business.

Yamagata, 51, spent his childhood in the Eden and Hazelton areas and graduated from Valley High School in Jerome County.

My family did not live in the Hunt Relocation Camp," he said, "but we farmed three miles from there and being Japanese, we went to visit the people in the camp often."

He left the Magic Valley to start his business shortly after he graduated from high school in 1955.

Yamagata, a bachelor, owns property in several

cities, and his primary residence is in Las Vegas. But there are two master bedroom suites in the Twin Falls house.

"I plan to come home more often now," he said. He spent about six months looking at houses in the Twin Falls area before he decided to build, he said.

"We wanted a ranch house — all on one level — because my brother is 71 years old, but most of the large houses on the market had two or more levels," he said.

Now, however, he may look for a buyer for the

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— Gene Yamagata

house — "but not too aggressively," he said.

"In the initial stages, we didn't plan for the house to be so large, but we began to say, 'It would be nice to have this and that,' he said. "Now the house might be too big for Frank."

Indeed, the house is big — and luxurious. In addition to the 9,600-square-foot main floor, sprawling on a two-acre lot, the house has a 4,000-square-foot unfinished basement. Fifty-four windows on the canyon side offer a breathtaking view west toward the Perrine Bridge.

Nevertheless, the house is built to save money. Builder Tom Hutchison of Twin Falls said he put in so many energy-efficient features that an Idaho

Power Co. employee guessed its utility bill will run no higher than \$1 to \$1.75 a day.

Yamagata's chances of attracting a buyer draw mixed assessments from local real estate agents.

"My first reaction is that anyone who wants to and can afford to build something like this for himself or his family should build whatever he really wants," said Bob Van Nest of Irwin Realty. "Like anyone else, that person would take his chances in building."

Not many people in the Twin Falls area would be interested in purchasing such a house, Van Nest acknowledged.

"But he came here and built it," he said. "Maybe he would know someone else who would want to live in a house like that in this area."

Van Nest suggested there could be people in California who might want to live in Twin Falls to get away from it all.

Certainly, people do that in Sun Valley, and there might be people who would not like the rattle-dazzle of Sun Valley and would prefer a little quieter place to which to bring their families," he said.

Ed Luech of Mountain View Realty agreed.

"There are some custom homes that people have built for themselves in the Twin Falls area that have one or two million dollars in them, and there are people here who can afford houses like that," he said. "There are highly successful people throughout Southern Idaho."

Still, Luech noted that few jobs in the Magic Valley provide enough take-home pay to qualify for a house in the \$1 million range.

"I've sold some houses in the \$300,000 neighborhood," he said, "and I thought that was pretty good."

'Impact' program tackles alcohol, drug problems

Schools seek out 'students at risk'

By N.S. NOKKENTVED
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Speedy identification of "students at risk" is the top priority of the school district administration's tentative goals for the new school year.

Identifying potential troubled students also is part of the district's "Impact" program of drug and alcohol abuse intervention and education.

Students at risk are habitual truants, potential drop-outs, students from troubled homes or students whose drug or alcohol use affects their school work, said Assistant Superintendent Keith Tolzin.

The goals, announced at Tuesday's School Board meeting, are a road

map for the administration's efforts during the 1988-89 school year, Tolzin said.

Setting goals is an ongoing process "to let people know we have some concerns," he said, "and to let them know what direction we're taking on them."

Other goals include:

- Continued instruction of teachers and administrators in Science of Teaching.

- Improving the district's public image through better distribution of information.

- Increasing computer use by students and in administration.

- Updating the curriculum guide for all subjects in all grades.

- Improving the coordination of

seventh- through ninth-grade programs between schools.

- Promoting extracurricular activities as an integral part of education.

- Insuring competing activities, such as art and music, don't reduce actual class time below state standards.

The School Board will have a work session in October to figure out how to meet these goals. The board will work with Marvin Nottingham of the University of Idaho to develop strategies and work out priorities, Tolzin said.

Progress on individual projects will be reported regularly and goals re-evaluated at the beginning of next year, he said. "It's a standard management practice."

BID plans day-care survey

By KJRK MITCHELL
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A day-care center to benefit shoppers and downtown workers is getting a look from downtown merchants.

The downtown Business Improvement District is conducting a survey to see whether there is interest in a day-care center. BID Coordinator Sue Jones said Wednesday.

The day-care center would give downtown workers an easily accessible place to leave their children and be convenient for shoppers who need a dependable place to leave their children for a few hours, she said.

Two possible locations would be the Obenchain Wheat Insurance and the Idaho Department Store buildings downtown.

In order for the plan to be possible, there would have to be about 40 children going to the center regularly and an average of about 15 daily drop-ins, she said.

Another downtown project, announced at Wednesday's BID

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Sentencing hearing in Stover trial will begin today

By CRAIG LINCOLN
Times-News writer

BOISE — The prosecutor in the second-degree murder case of a former Twin Falls elementary principal will play a tape recording at a hearing today of the incident in which the principal's wife and two daughters died.

Ada County Deputy Prosecutor Jay Rosenthal said the tape recording is of a phone call made by one of William Murray Stover's daughters on Nov. 30. Authorities said they heard one of the girls pleading for help during the 5:03 a.m. phone call and then several shots.

Stover's wife, 30-year-old June Stover and two daughters, Korrine, 13, and Kristine, 16, died of single shotgun blasts to the chest.

The hearing will stretch over two days. On Friday, 4th District Judge Alan Schwartzman is expected to take Stover's sentencing under advisement.

In July, Stover accepted an offer from prosecutors and pleaded guilty to three counts of second-degree murder. Prosecutors originally charged him with three counts of first-degree murder. The most the 50-year-old Stover could serve is three life terms in prison. The least is 10 years.

Rosenthal said he expects to present less than two hours of testimony today. Ada County Public Defender Alan Trimming will present testimony Friday.

A member of Stover's family and one psychologist will testify for prosecutors, Rosenthal said. Trimming said he will call similar witnesses.

At the end of the hearing, Schwartzman will be asked to balance the three deaths against Stover's character.

"They will probably argue Stover couldn't form criminal intent and he should go free," Rosenthal said.

In murder cases, as in most criminal cases, a prosecutors must prove the defendant intended to commit the acts. "I'm sure the state will argue (that Stover should serve) life

without chance of parole," Trimming said. "The defense will argue he should be given as much leniency as possible."

Ever since the early-morning hours of Nov. 30, when Stover's wife and two daughters died, the case has been handled efficiently and without long court hearings.

Today will be the first time public testimony is presented in the case.

After losing an attempt to close his preliminary hearing, Stover waived the hearing and was ordered to face a District Court trial. Another hearing and a potential challenge to Idaho's ban on the insanity defense were canceled when Stover pleaded guilty to the three counts of second-degree murder in July.

He originally was charged with three counts of first-degree murder and additional charges of using a firearm in the commission of a felony. Prosecutors dropped those charges, saying they didn't see a reason to pursue a death penalty.

Wildfires in Yellowstone cause concern among tourism officials

BOZEMAN, Mont. (AP) — Kids from Livingston to Liverpool are worried about the plight of Yellowstone National Park's famed cartoon bears, "Yogi" and "Boo Boo," as tourism officials in Montana and Wyoming scramble for ways to tell the world that Yellowstone hasn't been destroyed.

"There is a big perception that the park has burned up," said John Olson, marketing director for park concessionaire TW Services.

The plight of the park has spawned letters and telephone calls from surrounding states and as far away as England and West Germany, Olson said.

"It's going to take tremendous expenses for the tourism industry to recover from this," he said. "It's going to be a while before we can even begin to figure our losses."

To combat the image of Yellowstone-as-wasteland, Olson said he is sending daily updates on the park's condition to 30 large travel agencies. A new video documentary, showing the park after the fires, has been ordered.

"We're going to have to be honest with people," he said. "We're not going to be showing a beautiful, green waterfall at Gibbon Falls."

"We do want people to see that Old Faithful didn't burn up, the Upper Geyser Basin is still there, the Upper

and Lower Falls of the Yellowstone are still there and that the wildlife is still there," Olson said.

Montana Gov. Ted Schwinden and Wyoming Gov. Mike Sullivan will be asked by state travel and tourism officials to seek federal disaster money for the park's gateway communities, said John Wilson, head of Montana's tourism promotion effort.

So far this year, tourist visits to Yellowstone Park are down 12.5 percent over last year's figures — a loss of more than 260,000 visitors. Last month's visitation figures show a drop of nearly 30 percent over August figures from 1987.

Federal disaster money could be used to fund a three-year campaign to inform tourism leaders and the public about the park's appearance and other, less obvious changes stemming from Yellowstone's fires, Wilson said.

Tourist bureaus in Montana and Wyoming are planning telephone surveys of major tourist markets to see if the public still wants to visit Yellowstone Park, Wilson said.

Some people may be drawn to the park to see what it looks like after the fires, but others might say, "You couldn't pay me to come," Wilson said.

Olson said he has already made one special trip to London to talk with key tour-group operators and

newspaper travel editors to set the record straight about Yellowstone Park. Nearly 20 percent of the park's visitors come from foreign countries, he said.

"They all want to visit the western United States and Yellowstone is often the featured attraction," Olson said.

Journalists and travel industry workers in the British Isles are the most worried overseas observers, Olson said.

"The first call I got was from a BBC man in Manchester (England). His opening remark was 'The kiddies in the United Kingdom are especially concerned about Yogi and Boo Boo. What can you tell them?'"

Olson's answer consumed six minutes of the BBC's prime time news that night, he said, adding, "Wildlife is a big issue for them."

The Montana Tourist Advisory Council and the Wyoming Travel Commission plan to tour the park in the next two weeks to speak with park biologists to get a feel for how the park will look in years to come, Wilson said.

"We need to assess what the damage is," he said.

Olson said he will work this fall with tourism leaders in all of Yellowstone Park's gateway communities to win back visitors.

Sperling said the driver might drive a quarter of a mile still sober, because the alcohol hasn't entered his bloodstream. But an hour or so later he might register as intoxicated in a breath test, though he never really drove drunk.

Still, DUI charges usually stand

up in court.

"A well-investigated case is hard to beat," Voorhees said.

"I prosecuted a lot of DUI cases," said Leon Smith, now a private attorney. "They're probably one of the easiest ones to win."

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hard to prove with a reasonable certainty the blood-alcohol concentration at the time.

For example, a person might drink a lot of alcohol right before driving a short distance. The alcohol would enter the driver's bloodstream slowly.

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meeting, is a newsletter that will be mailed to homes twice a year to drum up interest in downtown.

Business owners will support the plan with advertisements in the newsletter, Jones said. The first letter will be sent out in December.

Jones said most businesses plan to be open every Sunday in November and December for Christmas shoppers. Also, businesses will be open late on Fridays.

The BID also committed \$500 a year for five years to Business Plus;

an organization founded to fund economic development projects and pay off the \$450,000 debt on the Trus Joist building.

"We're really behind economic development in Twin Falls and want to support that," Jones said.

Obituaries



Wilbur Brown

TWIN FALLS — Wilbur D. "Brownie" Brown, 76, of Twin Falls, died at home on Wednesday, Sept. 14, 1988, of cancer.

Born Aug. 15, 1912, in Filer, a son of Leonard E. and Minnie E. Bryant Brown, he attended Morse grade school and the Filer High School. He married Ruth Ferguson of Hansen in 1935. They were later divorced. He worked as a body man and auto painter in several garages in Twin Falls. He was a body shop foreman for Thies Motors for 17 years until his retirement. He was a life member of

the Elks, BPOE #1183, and had served as an officer in the club. He was a member of the United Methodist Church.

Surviving are: one son, Wayne D. Brown of Boise; two daughters, Phipps, and Mrs. Morris (Ruth) Moore, both of Twin Falls; one brother, Ralph I. Brown of Twin Falls; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

A funeral will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. at White Mortuary with the Rev. officiating.

Friends may call at White Mortuary Thursday and Friday from 3 to 8 p.m. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Park.

The family suggests memorials to the Idaho Home Health and Hospice or the Elks Rehabilitation Center.

Larry Dayley

HEYBURN — Larry Dayley, 40, of Heyburn, died on Wednesday, Sept. 14, 1988, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. A funeral is pending and will be announced by the Payne Mortuary in Burley.

Mary Rawlings

RUPERT — Mary Norma Rawlings, 89, of Rupert, died Wednesday, Sept. 14, 1988, at Minidoka Memorial Hospital in Rupert.

Born Oct. 22, 1898, at Jetonia, she

daughter of Joseph and Tacy Harper Buxton, she attended school in Tetonia. She married Willard Richard Rawlings Aug. 15, 1918, in the Salt Lake City LDS Temple. Mr. Rawlings preceded her in death, Oct. 5, 1930. She lived in Hagerman, Boise and Meridian from 1945 until 1979. She moved to Rupert in 1979 where she has since resided.

Surviving are: one daughter, Connie Ruddle of Rupert; four grandchildren; and 11 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by: one son, one daughter, two brothers and two sisters.

A graveside service will be conducted at 1 p.m. Monday, at the Cloverdale Memorial Park, 1200 N. Cloverdale Road in Boise with Bishop Ben Fowler officiating. Friends may call at the Hansen Mortuary Chapel Sunday afternoon and evening.

Alma Jagels

BUHL — Alma Jagels, 85, died Wednesday morning at Harrell's Nursing Home. A service is pending and will be announced by the Hopkins-Buhl Funeral Chapel.

Leo Healy

JEROME — Leo Healy, 72, of Jerome, died Wednesday, Sept. 14, 1988, at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center. A funeral is pending and will be announced by the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel.

Services

HAGERMAN — A graveside service for Oliver W. Sova, 90, of Hagerman, who died Sunday, will be conducted at 2 p.m. today at the Hagerman Cemetery. Arrangements are by Demary's Greeting Chapel.

TWIN FALLS — A private family service for William Kibbe, 77, of Twin Falls, who died Monday, will be held at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl today at 11 a.m. Burial will be in the West End Cemetery in Buhl.

KIMBERLY — No service is planned for Mary E. Morse, 63, of Kimberly, who died Monday. Cremation

took place at White Crematory in Twin Falls. Friends may call at the Morse residence today from 4 to 6 p.m.

RUPERT — A funeral will be conducted for Kathryn "Katie" Yaguez, 83, of Idaho Falls, and formerly of Rupert who died Tuesday at 2 p.m. Friday at the United Methodist Church in Rupert. Burial will be in the Rupert Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Burck-Sullivan Funeral Home. Friends may call at the church one hour prior to the funeral on Friday.

JEROME — A memorial service will

be conducted for Louella Mae Lattimer, 73, of Citrus Heights, Calif., and formerly of Jerome, who died Tuesday, at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome. A concluding service will follow at the Jerome Cemetery.

BURLEY — The funeral for Clara Isabelle Correll, 76, of Sacramento, and formerly of Burley, who died Sunday, will be held at 1 p.m. today at St. James Episcopal Church. Interment will follow in the Pleasant View Cemetery. Friends may call at the Payne Mortuary in Burley today from 9 a.m. until noon.

BIRTHS — Daughters were born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Allen of Buhl; Mr. and Mrs. Clint Barker, Mr. and Mrs. Blain Conrad, Christi Sobotta, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas VanLeuven, all of Twin Falls; a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Dean of Hagerman.

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Canadian air tankers head home

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — A day after they began helping to fight Western fires, a fleet of Canadian aircraft was ordered sent home Wednesday because continuing wet weather made them no longer needed.

Some 18 aircraft from Canada were ordered released Wednesday, and two others that had been temporarily stationed at Medford, Ore., were to be sent back by Thursday, said Allen Gibbs, a spokesman for the Pantha die National Forests.

The planes, as well as about 80 helicopter ground support personnel, had begun arriving at the airport here through contracts with the

Canadian fire interagency center, said Gibbs. Some of the aircraft began dropping retardant on Tuesday on fires in Idaho.

While the helicopter support personnel were to remain indefinitely, the planes were no longer needed, said Gibbs.

The decision to release them was based on the fact that wet weather is continuing at Yellowstone. Also, a predicted major weather front is to move into the Northwest this weekend.

"Overall, the need for air tankers in the north (United States) has left quite a bit. That's freeing up the

American air tankers, and our obligation really is to utilize them," Gibbs said.

The interagency fire center in Boise, which had contracted for the Canadian help, also had been expecting helicopters from Canada, but those never arrived.

Meanwhile, the Canadian helicopter ground support personnel were still being assigned to various fire camps in the West. How long they would remain would be determined largely by the weather.

The Canadian aircraft that were released included DC-8s, B-26s, C-121s and several land planes.

Briefly

Fire danger remains very high

TWIN FALLS — Despite cooler weather, the U.S. Forest Service reports fire danger still very high to extreme.

According to the Forest Service's weekly recreation report, fire restrictions still in effect in intermountain forests prohibit open campfires outside developed campgrounds, smoking except within vehicles or buildings and operation of chain saws and off-road vehicles between 1 p.m. and 1 a.m.

No areas of the forest are closed to hunting because of fire danger. Hunters are advised to wear bright colors to avoid being mistaken for deer or elk.

Idaho Fish and Game Department has established a toll-free hotline — 1-800-323-FIRE — to report fires or fire restriction violations anywhere in Idaho. The service will be open from 8 a.m. to midnight through the hunting season while fire danger is extreme.

In the Sawtooth National Recreation Area, three campgrounds have been closed for the season: Glacier View at Redfish Lake, North Shore at Alturas Lake and Riverside along the Salmon River on Highway 75.

Most other campgrounds will remain open until cooler weather comes to stay, the Forest Service reports. The Redfish Lake Lodge will be open until Oct. 2, including the restaurant, boat rental and grocery store.

Hearing on state water plan tonight

TWIN FALLS — The Idaho Department of Water Resources will seek public comment tonight on how to proceed with proposed rules and regulations for a comprehensive state water plan.

A public hearing will be held at the department's regional office at 2148 Fourth Ave. E., Twin Falls, from 4 to 6:30 p.m. The department is asking the public to ex-

press the proposal and make oral or written comments by Sept. 30.

Prostitution charges are filed

BURLEY — Cassia County authorities have filed prostitution charges against two Washington women arrested in the bar of a Burley motel.

Shirley Salisbury, 25, and Dixie Carter, 30, both from Spokane, were being held Wednesday in lieu of \$100 bail, court officials said.

The two women were charged with offering to sell sexual favors to an undercover sheriff's deputy Tuesday night, according to sheriff's reports. A trial date has been set for Sept. 21.

Puppy is stabbed with pitchfork

TWIN FALLS — A golden-labrador puppy was stabbed in the chest with a pitch fork Tuesday while in its own back yard, according to police reports.

The dog, owned by Tracee Greene of 661 Falls Ave., was taken to a veterinarian and treated for injuries.

Someone went into the house's back yard while Greene was gone, stabbed the dog and fled, according to police reports. No arrests had been made Wednesday.

Man faces statutory rape charges

TWIN FALLS — Authorities have charged a Twin Falls man with twice having sexual intercourse with a 15-year-old girl, according to court reports.

Jerold Quinton, 21, was being held Wednesday in lieu of \$1,500 bail on two counts of statutory rape.

Court records allege that Quinton, arrested Tuesday, had sexual intercourse with a Twin Falls teenager earlier this week.

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the accident to police at 2:28 a.m.

Mooney said he later tried to find the pair, but without success. At one point, he even considered placing a newspaper advertisement asking them to contact him.

Mooney said those witnesses' account of the night was of particular importance because they had told the house's occupant that Kistler was intoxicated. Authorities wanted to obtain the two people's description of Kistler's behavior to help support a charge of driving under the influence.

When Mooney arrived at the scene at 2:49 a.m., Kistler told him he had drunk two beers after the accident. Kistler repeated that statement when Mooney told him that he wanted to take him to Twin Falls for a breath test, according to court records.

Kistler failed several field sobriety tests, including a one-leg standing test and a walk-and-turn test, and he mumbled part of the alphabet, court records show.

When taken to the Twin Falls police station, Kistler's blood-alcohol content was reported at .17 and .16 — above Idaho's legal limit of .10 — on a pair of breath tests administered at 4:29 a.m., according to court

records. He declined to provide police with a statement at that time.

Mooney issued Kistler a complaint and summons and then drove him home.

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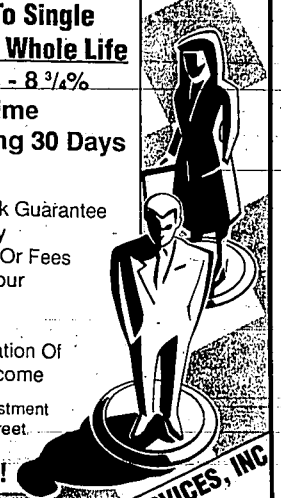
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Released

Mrs. Gary Scott of Filer; Mrs. Levi Loug of Gooding; Mrs. David Weddle of Kimberly; Gail Marie Carter and son, Bernice Pearl Cunningham, and Mrs. David Dettweiler and son, all of Twin Falls; and Shannon Van Ellis and son of Lovell, Wash.

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Burley mayor says 2 meetings were not hidden

By DONNA SCHORZMAN
Times-News correspondent

BURLEY — Two meetings this summer between a few city officials and an agent for the Overland Shopping Center were not deliberately hidden from the public, Burley Mayor Ken Frank said.

Frank said Mike Neilson, representing the owners of the shopping center, met with him in the spring and dropped in unannounced at two council work sessions this summer to ask about the availability of a piece of city cemetery property for a new and larger Smith's Food King store.

Frank and Neilson said in separate interviews the talks never progressed to the point where a price was discussed.

Meanwhile, Neilson said he is con-

tinuing to negotiate with five other property owners whose land would be needed for the new Smith's store, but added that he doesn't expect the sale will occur now because of news stories in the South Idaho Press.

"Obviously, with all this press, the deal is probably not do-able now," was in Burley yesterday and I can tell you that it is going to be very difficult for me to put the deal together now because of the publicity," he said Tuesday from his Salt Lake City office. "It probably won't happen now. The private landowners feel now that they're on a gold mine and it probably won't be feasible."

But Lloyd Monroe, general manager of the newspaper, said many people in town knew about it before the paper began printing stories. "My

barber was telling me when I got my haircut," Monroe said. "It was an open secret."

Further, stakes were driven in the ground at the site prior to the first article on Sept. 2, and the newspaper found out about it through a letter to the editor, Monroe said.

"If I blame anybody I blame the City Council," Monroe said. Monroe, who has stated publicly he supports this project, said if the deal has backfired it has done so because the public is upset about being kept in the dark.

Newspaper reports in the South Idaho Press about two weeks ago on the possibility of the city selling a portion of the Gen Memorial Gardens cemetery prompted a large turnout at last week's City Council

meeting. Residents objected to the potential sale and said they thought city officials were discussing public matters behind closed doors.

But Neilson and Frank said in separate interviews the meetings between both parties were at regularly scheduled work sessions and were only preliminary talks.

The Idaho Open Meetings Law requires government bodies to notify the public whenever special meetings are held. But the Idaho code has no requirement for notifying the public when a "regular meeting" is held.

A regular meeting is defined as a meeting on a "date fixed by law or rule, to conduct the business of the agency."

Frank said the City Council has for some time met regularly at 7 p.m. on council nights, one hour before the

meeting time, for work sessions.

Monroe, who said his paper did not cover the sessions, said the talks with Neilson violated the Open Meetings Law because the decisions are not published meetings, yet the council took action. Monroe said that when council members said the property might be available for sale to, in effect, took action by making a decision, even if there was no formal vote.

This enabled Neilson to approach other property owners with the knowledge that at least one of the six pieces of property needed was available, Monroe said.

Neilson originally approached Frank with the possibility of purchasing a piece of commercially zoned

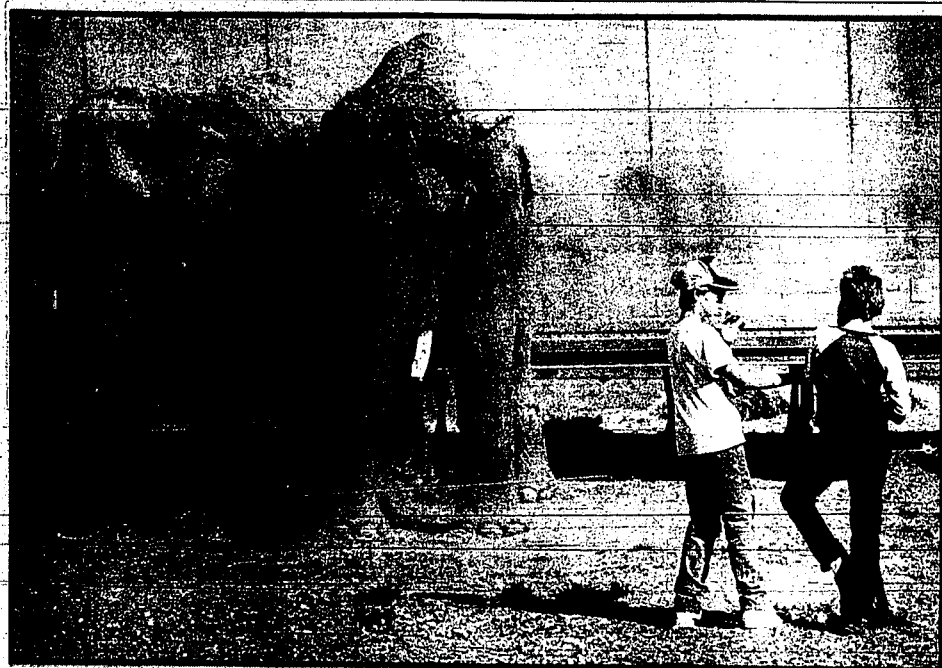
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KEN FRANK
...not trying to hide anything.

Magic Valley

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Under the big top

Elephants are not an everyday sight in Shoshone, so when a couple of the huge animals

are in town, it is worth a look. Jeremy Larson, 12, left and Tim Kelley, 11, studied 'Boo' and

Tommy' Wednesday afternoon before the elephants performed in King Royal Bros. Circus.

Times-News photo/ANDY AREKZ

Director pleased with teen parent program success

By DENISE TURNER
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — The Magic Valley Teen Parent program is continuing to outdistance all expectations, the program's director, Karen Fraley, told the Jerome School Board Monday night.

Fraley, who is also Jerome's director of curriculum, said the program, which is geared toward young women in the Magic Valley who have dropped out of high school due to pregnancy, is now serving 30 students.

"We had 15 students enrolled only two weeks after we opened and we have been on a dead run ever since," Fraley said. "We have so many more students than we had anticipated that we have had to order more of everything."

The Teen Parent program was started early this year using three grants from the state Department of Vocational Education. The grants include some federal dollars, Jerome Superintendent Richard Kugler said. The program is continuing to operate on those funds plus additional money from the Twin Falls School District.

The program serves pregnant girls who do not want to stay in their own high schools and mothers who have quit school and cannot afford to resume their education because of the cost of child care, which, for many young mothers in the program, is the difference between an education and no education.

For the future, Fraley wants to expand the program. She's just begun working with Brenda Allen, who will be the coordinator for a volunteer teacher program and work half-time as an instructional aide.

Fraley said she hopes to recruit retired teachers for the volunteer program.

A videotape of the program recruit, along with programs in Nampa and Coeur d'Alene, will be shown to the Legislature next year to encourage funding, Fraley said.

Classes are in Twin Falls in the building which once served as a nurses' quarters at Magic Valley Hospital. It is being rented at a "nominal fee" and maintained by the county, Kugler said.

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Area citizens question fair figures

By DENISE TURNER
Times-News correspondent

FILER — Amid this year's Twin Falls County Fair record-breaking attendance and revenue figures, some area citizens are questioning the recently released fair totals.

About 125,000 people attended the fair this year, which had admission prices of \$1.50, \$2 and \$2.50, and total revenue was about \$127,600, according to a Tuesday Times-News article.

"I'm not complaining, but I'm wondering why the attendance and

admission fee figures do not balance better," said Dave Hamilton, a local business owner who worked in a church food booth this year. "Even figuring the \$2 children's fee, 125,000 people does not equal \$127,600."

Hamilton, who said he paid a \$2.50 admission fee and a \$1 parking fee each of the four days he worked, said some of his friends have questioned the totals too.

The answer lies in the number of people admitted free to the fair, Fair Manager Dan Peters said.

"You have to understand how a

fair attendance is calculated," he said. "We count all of the people who pass through the fair gates each day, but many of those people do not, in fact, pay an admission fee."

The 4-H and FFA people, along with their advisers and counselors, and all children under 6 years of age get into the fair free, Peters said. "You are talking about a good portion of the daily attendance right there," he said.

The Twin Falls County commis-

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Gooding eyes return of spud festival

By TERRELL WILLIAMS
Times-News correspondent

GOODING — By popular demand, the harvest season's Spud Festival has returned to Gooding.

Today through Saturday, merchants and social clubs in Gooding will celebrate the harvest with potato games, a 'spud-sack' fashion show, stuffed bakers to eat and other spud-oriented activities, including an aerial ping-pong drop on Saturday.

The festival begins today with downtown merchants decorating their street-light poles in a potato theme. Along with this contest, they

will have a "moonlight sale" from 7-9 p.m.

Also, participating stores will give discount coupons for the movie "Bambi," to be shown at 7 p.m. at the Gooding Cinema.

On Friday, food booths along Main Street have tentative plans to serve chorizo, cotton candy and baked goods. At noon, models will show off the latest styles in a "spud-sack" fashion show on the lawn at the county courthouse.

"They'll be just kind of wandering around where people will be having a picnic," says Kathy Cooper, a festival organizer.

Friday evening, the Gooding Seniors will host a football game with Glenns Ferry. The High School Honor Society will sell baked potatoes at the game.

On Saturday, the Rebekahs will host a breakfast at the IOOF Hall on Third Avenue West. Pancakes, sausage, eggs and beverages will be served. Cost is \$3 for adults and \$2 for children.

From 9:30 a.m. noon, Strickland Realty will sponsor a contest to find the biggest spud. Entries will be taken and weighed at the Sears Catalog Store at 246 Main Street.

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Ketchum felon Aragon dies in Idaho State Prison

The Times-News
and The Associated Press

BOISE — Mark Emilio Aragon, an Idaho State Prison inmate under death sentence for the brutal beating death of an infant girl in Ketchum, is dead.

Corrections Director Al Murphy said Aragon, 39, died at 9:10 a.m. Wednesday of liver failure. "It has been a long-term, progressive, irreversible, noncancerous liver problem," the director said.

Aragon, a native of Grand Junction, Colo., known in Ketchum as Milo, was convicted and sentenced to death for the April 1982 slaying by 5th District Judge Douglas Kramer in September 1982.

He later filed a civil petition for post-conviction relief. It was denied by 5th District Judge Daniel Hurlbutt and 20 days ago the Idaho Supreme Court upheld the decision.

The prosecution charged Aragon with inflicting fatal head injuries on the 8-month-old infant by picking her up by the heels and slamming her head against a bathtub in the

Ketchum condominium he shared with the baby's mother. The infant was pronounced dead at a Salt Lake City hospital, where she was flown from Hailey.

Testimony showed the impact to the baby's head was of a force equal to dropping her off a three-story building.

Hailey lawyer Keith Roark, who prosecuted Aragon and asked for the death penalty, said he remembers the case well. "When I think about being in Salt Lake City and viewing the corpse of an eight-month-old girl, watching the autopsy and looking at the photographs of the incredible violence that was done to literally a helpless human being," Roark said. "I still think of her. I don't think of Milo Aragon."

Despite the brutality, Roark said he worked hard to keep his personal feelings out of the case.

"I had complete revulsion for the act and the horror use of violence, but I think it's important that in order to do a thoroughly pro-

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Around the valley

BLM seeks cleanup day helpers

SHOSHONE — The Bureau of Land Management here in Burley is looking for a few good men, women and children to help in the "Federal Lands Cleanup Day."

On Saturday, employees of the Shoshone and Burley districts and volunteers plan to clean up roadside litter and unauthorized dump areas in two Magic Valley locations. Public lands northwest of Shoshone is the target for that district, while public land adjacent to the Albion City Dump is the target for the Burley District.

The Shoshone cleanup is set for 9 a.m.-1 p.m. The Albion cleanup is set for 10 a.m. until completed. The Boy Scout troop in Albion is already signed up to help.

For more information call Donita Cotter at the Shoshone District at 886-2206 and Cay Ogden at the Burley District at 678-5514.

Castleford adopts city budget

CASTLEFORD — The City Council here last week adopted its 1988-89 budget.

The new budget is \$111,620, about \$2,600 less than the expired \$114,269 budget. It is down mostly due to anticipated reductions in state income from highway and liquor taxes.

The budget includes \$3,600 to continue replacing the town's deteriorating, wooden irrigation system. The extra funds will come from the water and sewer reserve fund, which the council re-

duced to about \$30,000 from about \$38,000.

City officials expect no city services will have to be scaled back under the new budget.

Tourney proceeds go to shelter

KETCHUM — Proceeds from the Dog Leg Golf Tournament Saturday will go to the Wood River Animal Shelter. Organizers hope to raise enough money to cover operating expenses at the shelter for one month.

The tournament, a shotgun scramble and an annual event, is in memory this year of Marion Selgren, an avid animal lover and shelter supporter. The tournament is set to begin at 9 a.m. at the Big Wood Golf Course. There is a \$35 entry fee, which includes donuts and coffee in the morning plus a lunch.

Prizes will be awarded for the top five teams in the men's division and the top three ladies' teams. Additional prizes will be given for the longest drive and the closest to the pin.

For information and registration call Lou Liman at 726-5388.

Burley chamber looks for directors

BURLEY — The Burley Chamber of Commerce is looking for four members to serve as new board directors. Nominations will be accepted until Sept. 25.

The Chamber has six criteria it asks of board members: attend all possible board and special meetings; participate in policy decisions affecting

the Chamber, community and area; maintain the confidence of all board meetings; accept the responsibility for assignments and special contacts during the term; offer suggestions on possible Chamber programs or improvements; and be available for greater responsibilities in the program and structure of the Chamber.

Board members serve for three years. For more information contact the Chamber office, at City Hall, or call 678-7230.

Ranch auction bidding still open

RUPERT — Anyone interesting in bidding in the Idaho Youth Ranch's 33rd annual auction fundraiser has until Sept. 30.

More than 150 items, including furniture, household items, toys and antiques, are listed in a catalogue available to bidders. Bidders can also submit bids for a week for two at the Ritz Acapulco Hotel in Acapulco, Mexico; five days at Las Hadas, Manzanillo, Mexico; and eight days at the Nob Hill Inn, San Francisco.

All items are donated and proceeds will help build a multi-purpose athletic field at the ranch, which is a minimum security facility for troubled youths.

Bids will be accepted until 5:30 p.m., Sept. 30, and will be opened Oct. 5.

For a catalogue and bid forms, contact the ranch's Rupert office or Thrift Store, Box 534, or call 436-9365. Residents in the Twin Falls-Jerome area should call 324-5351.

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And the winner of the contest will win 20 big dollars," says Mac Morrow, festival publicity chairman.

On the Junior High School lawn, next to the courthouse, Gooding Senior Citizens will have a flea market from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Donated items will be welcome.

Also at 10 a.m., the Gooding Optimists and local businesses will sponsor runs of 10-K (6.2 miles) and 5-K (3.1 miles), beginning at the high school and ending at the courthouse.

Race entry forms are available at the Gooding offices of Oakley and Jones or Rod Spackman, from Donnelly Sports in Twin Falls, or by calling Bob Poulson at 934-8438. Entry fee is \$10. Each runner will get a T-shirt and prizes will be awarded in eight age groups from 13 and under to 60 and over.

"It's a scenic, agricultural run," says Poulson, president of the Gooding Chamber of Commerce. "They'll get a look at a lot of potato ground."

At 11 a.m., a variety of "potato games" will begin on the courthouse lawn. John Infanger, game organizer, says the first event will be a tug-of-war between local policemen and firemen. Next, he says, potato-sack races will offer prizes in 14 age groups from five to 18.

Another contest is a three-legged

Aragon

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professional job, that you learn not to hate people, that you learn to judge the act and not to judge them personally," he said.

The Idaho Supreme Court denied Aragon's second appeal, which meant his only other course was appeals through the federal system.

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sioners and fair board members also get in free, Peters said.

Then there are those who work in the concession and exhibition booths. Peters said a certain number of passes are issued to each booth.

Food booths are given one pass per each \$100 cost of the booth. The dimension of space occupied by the booth is also taken into consideration, noting that a 20-by-20-foot booth usually averages about four passes.

Merchant exhibitors receive two passes per 10 feet of booth space.

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tions for the teachers, attended the meeting and thanked the board for its hard work and a good settlement.

The morale of the teaching staff is high, and we do not have the grumblings we had a year ago," he said. "In fact, you probably gave us more than we expected."

The contract calls for a 1.8 percent increase in teacher salaries, bringing first-year salaries for those with bachelor's degrees to \$13,815 and \$16,121 for those with master's.

Another provision allows teachers who continue their education beyond a bachelor's degree quicker access to the approximately \$700 currently reserved strictly for those with master's degrees.

Also at the meeting:

The board approved the 1987-88 school district audit report prepared by the Twin Falls CPA firm of Mc-

ullen and McFee. The board also approved a new audit contract with the firm for 1988-89.

Kugler reported that the opening of school went very easily this year, with 2,779 students enrolled in K through 12, as compared with 2,561 students last year for grades 1 through 12. (Jerome had no kindergarten program last year.)

Most of the increase is due to the kindergarten students, Kugler said. He said the new Jefferson Elementary School building program is nearly completion, and the building is ready for children. "We moved furniture into the kindergarten rooms last Friday," he said, "and the kindergarten students were brought down into their new rooms today."

He noted that a few items, such as some chairs, have been ordered but have not yet arrived.

Some will be redeemable at local stores for cash or merchandise.

Kim Vaughn, president of the Merchants' Association in Gooding, says the spud festival is a community effort involving many businesses and social organizations.

This festival was held three consecutive years, he says, but interest was lost and it was not held for two years.

"And then," says Vaughn, "because we had so many people asking for it, we decided to bring it back."

In the potato mashing contest, strength will be demonstrated as entries, strength which raw potatoes with an oversized wooden mallet. Winners will be determined by who ends up with the flattest potato. Only one hit allowed per spud.

A potato-eating contest will offer prizes to whoever can eat the most, mashed or french-fried potatoes, depending on what the cooks make.

From 12:30-2 p.m., a baked spud buffet will be served on the courthouse lawn. Merchants will serve potatoes topped with a selection of butter, sour cream, chili and onions, along with green salad, macaroni salad, ice-cream and Pepsi. Cost is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.

Winner of the biggest potato contest will be announced during the buffet.

From 1 to 3 p.m., live entertainment will be provided by the Old Time Fiddlers and by The Dance Center of Gooding.

At 2:30 p.m., merchants will dump all entries from their stores into a bin and drawings will be held for a new color television and a 10-speed bicycle. Winners must be present to win.

At 3:30, an aerial ping-pong ball drop will dump about 2,500 balls on about two blocks of Main Street.

In the latest ruling, Aragon asked for reversal because he was defended at trial by a lawyer inexperienced in capital cases.

However, the Supreme Court said that evaluation should be based on performance, not experience, and there was nothing in the record to indicate Aragon received a less-than-adequate defense.

The passes policy of the Twin Falls fair is typical of fairs across the country, Peters said. A few have no passes, like the Minnesota State Fair, but most have a pass policy similar to ours," he said.

Peters said he doesn't know exactly how many passes were issued at this year's fair, but said fairs usually figure they'll get 60-80 percent of a total admission figure.

That may sound high, but that many people get into fairs free almost anywhere in the country," he said.

Burley

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property that is part of the cemetery, although it is some distance from grave sites. Neilson said Frank indicated the sale was possible but added that it would have to be sold as excess property, meaning property the city and public determines the city doesn't need.

Neilson said he also came to two of the City Council's regular work sessions to inform the council about progress he was making with the other property owners. He said he asked the council to keep the plans in confidence until he had a firm price.

Frank recalls Neilson talking to the council about his plans on two different occasions during the summer. "He asked if the city had any problem with him looking at it," Frank said. "The council said no, find out what you want, and then let us know. Then that's when we'll make our decision." He still wasn't at the point where the council needed to make any decisions.

Frank and Neilson said they never discussed a price because the talks didn't reach that point. Frank said if the city decides to vacate the land and offer it for sale, the law requires the land to be sold at public auction.

Frank says Smith's has never formally asked the council about purchasing the property, so "the council has given no consideration one way or the other."

"We're not trying to hide anything. We were just trying to maintain the

confidence of the persons we were talking to," Frank says.

Neilson said it is common for developers to work with city officials for some time before presenting a plan to a city council. There will be citizens who will have questions, and you have to be prepared to answer those questions," Neilson said.

Neilson said he didn't discuss the deal with any of the council members. "I just told them what I would like to do."

At a City Council meeting last week, residents objected to selling cemetery land to build a new store. "I visited with the folks who stood up at the council meeting to tell them we had no intention of disturbing their cemetery," Neilson says.

Local residents were upset by stakes that had been driven into the cemetery, but Neilson says those stakes were to verify elevation and had nothing to do with a boundary. They were not in the right location, for the boundary, that would be about 10 feet to the north.

The stakes were driven to help determine the solidity of the ground, which has an underground creek in the area, Neilson said. "Before we could determine if we wanted to buy the property, I had to do those things," Neilson said.

He said he regrets that the stakes were driven prematurely and caused concern among Burley residents. "We were very sensitive from the first because we knew that property is close to the cemetery, so we took that into consideration," he said.

Neilson said, if the Smith's store is built at Overland, a six-foot concrete wall will be built not closer than 15 feet from the nearest grave.

If Neilson is successful in putting together the package for Smiths, and if Smiths decides to build on the location at the Overland site, several stores at that site would have to be relocated, probably to another space at the shopping center.

'My concern is that Smith's will go elsewhere in the city, or outside the city.'

-Mike Neilson, shopping center representative

Neilson said Smith's has indicated it will move to another location in Burley or outside of town if it can't get its "super store" in Overland. He declined to say if the location outside of Burley might be some distance from the city.

"My concern is that Smith's will go elsewhere in the city, or outside the city," Neilson says. "We have 21 other tenants there and we need the traffic drawn in by Smiths."

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Firefighters make final assault on major Montana forest fire

HELENA, Mont. (AP) — Army reinforcements began arriving Wednesday for a final assault on the giant Canyon Creek fire in west-central Montana, while crews drew close to completing fire lines on a treacherous blaze in Glacier National Park.

Calling firefighting "the moral equivalent of war," Col. Beau Bergeson of the 3rd Brigade of the Army's 9th Infantry Division from Fort Lewis, Wash., said his men were excited about their impending duty on the 247,000-acre Canyon Creek fire.

"We have been leaning forward in the saddle, if you will," he said.

After receiving some on-site training, fire officials said the soldiers will join crews Thursday for mop-up duties on the blaze burning in and around the Scapegoat Wilderness.

At the 31,800-acre Red Bench fire in Glacier Park, firefighters were working on the final two miles of line Wednesday afternoon, incident commander Bob Wagenfehr said.

"It should be (completed) today or tomorrow, depending on the conditions," he said. "Without the winds, this fire will remain on the ground. If we can cut that off, we can stop the threat of the fire continuing to grow."

The fire has destroyed 21 homes and numerous outbuildings, killed one firefighter and injured as many as a dozen others since it exploded out of control Sept. 6.

Elsewhere in the state, containment of the three-month-old Storm Creek fire north of Yellowstone National Park was predicted by Saturday and crews attacked hot spots on

the North Fork fire in the park near Gardiner and West Yellowstone.

On the Canyon Creek fire north-west of Helena, about 900 Army personnel arrived Wednesday and another 900 were expected Thursday, swelling the firefighting force to more than 3,000 people.

Despite the increase in manpower and the general winding down of the firefighting effort, incident commander Ron Curtis said it will probably take more cold, wet weather before the blaze is finally extinguished.

"We need a good wetting rain or a big snow storm," he said.

The fire, hit hard by snow and rain last weekend, has been burning since June 25, mostly in rugged, mountainous terrain. Last week, it destroyed four dwellings near the Dearborn River.

Information officer Jane Weber said soldiers were bused to Ovando Wednesday and would join crews on the fire's west flank Thursday, helping construct fire lines and put out hot spots.

More than 20 miles away on the fire's east front, aerial water drops were made on hot spots and crews built backcountry landing areas for helicopters that will transport firefighters for a ground attack Thursday, she said.

"We're kind of hoping that by the weekend, that east zone will be wrapped up," she said.

About 500 firefighters set up a new base camp at the Augusta airport Wednesday after getting two days off because of heavy snow along the

eastern Rocky Mountain front.

Weber said as of Tuesday, firefighting costs on the Canyon Creek fire were \$5.49 million.

A firefighter injured on the Red Bench fire was listed in serious but stable condition Wednesday at a Missoula hospital.

William G. Harris of Redding, Calif., suffered head injuries when he was hit by a falling tree Tuesday, said Bert Stout of the Flathead National Forest.

Fire information officer Dave Cawse said Harris might have died were it not for quick action by paramedics with a Canadian "hot shot" fire crew, which happened to be nearby when the accident occurred.

Incident commander Wagenfehr said as long as winds did not pick up, crews would continue to make progress on the fire. Nearly 60 miles of line have been completed on the blaze, he said.

Once those lines are complete, mop-up work can begin, he added.

On the North Fork fire near Gardiner, smokejumpers were still battling hot spots Wednesday in the Yellowstone River canyon east of town, and crews were building fire lines and fighting other small flareups.

Janet McBride of the Gallatin National Forest said more than five miles of line has yet to be constructed in the Mammoth Hot Springs-Gardiner area, but that crews will get some help from the weather.

Utah woman helps prosecutors in tracking down porn distributor

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — U.S. Attorney Brent Ward credited a Utah woman for helping prosecutors convict a California man who was sentenced Wednesday to 18 months in prison for sending unsolicited pornography advertisements.

U.S. District Judge J. Thomas Greene also ordered Lejay Winkler, of Pomona Beach, Calif., to pay a \$50,000 fine. In addition, Winkler will be on probation for three years following his prison term.

Winkler was charged with sending sexually oriented advertisements to a person who had asked not to receive them, and mailing to an undercover post office box that was being monitored by postal inspectors.

The sentence sets a precedent for cases to come. This is the first time a defendant in an adult obscenity case

has received a prison term, Ward said in a news conference following sentencing.

Winkler also is the first person to be sentenced under a new federal "Postorn" campaign, which was started in Utah and is designed to crack down on large mail-order distributors of pornography.

The Winkler case began more than a year ago when Susan Shuldmeier of Sandy called Ward's office after she was twice mailed fliers advertising pornographic materials.

After the first incident, Shuldmeier filled out a form with the postal service restricting such mailings to her home.

Ward said no one is certain why Shuldmeier received the second mailing, but that Winkler's mailing list contained "hundreds of thou-

sands of names."

Shuldmeier said she was terrified and that she and several of her neighbors felt violated when they received the mailing.

"I don't care what people do in private, but I do care when they take pictures of it and put it in my mailbox," she said.

At the news conference, Ward presented Shuldmeier with an award from the Justice Department for her efforts in the war against pornography.

Ward said Winkler plans to plead guilty to similar charges in Iowa. Winkler stopped operating Universal Products Co. when charges were filed against him.

On Wednesday, defense attorney Robert Most argued unsuccessfully that Winkler is "an honorable, decent, honest man."

Craig, Givens face off in TV debate

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Public television station KUID in Moscow will carry the Nov. 2 debate between Republican 1st District Rep. Larry Craig and his Democratic challenger, state Rep. Jeanne Givens of Coeur d'Alene.

The debate, sponsored by the North Idaho News Network and scheduled to take place at the Coeur

d'Alene Resort, will be the last face-to-face meeting between the two candidates before the Nov. 8 election.

Russ Spain, general manager of KUID, said the debate will be taped and the broadcast date will be announced soon.

The Idaho League of Women Voters and the Idaho Press Club had criticized Craig for his refusal to ac-

cept their invitation to debate Mrs. Givens in Boise or Moscow so the debate could be carried on statewide television by the Idaho Educational Public Broadcasting System.

KUID accepted the invitation from the North Idaho News Network to carry the program. In addition, a network of 1st District radio stations is being formed to carry the debate live.

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tions for the teachers, attended the meeting and thanked the board for its hard work and a good settlement.

"The morale of the teaching staff is high, and we do not have the grumblings we had a year ago," he said. "In fact, you probably gave us more than we expected."

The contract calls for a 1.8 percent increase in teacher salaries, bringing first-year salaries for those with bachelor's degrees to \$13,815 and \$16,171 for those with master's.

Another provision allows teachers who continue their education beyond a bachelor's degree quicker access to the approximately \$700 currently reserved strictly for those with master's degrees.

Also at the meeting: The board approved the 1997-98 school district audit report prepared by the Twin Falls CPA firm of Mc-

Mullen and McFee. The board also approved a new audit contract with the firm for 1998-99.

Kugler reported that the opening of school went very easily this year, with 2,779 students enrolled in K through 12, as compared with 2,561 students last year for grades 1 through 12. (Jerome had no kindergarten program last year.)

Most of the increase is due to the kindergarten students, Kugler said.

He said the new Jefferson Elementary School building program is near completion, and the building is ready for children. "We moved furniture into the kindergarten rooms last Friday," he said, "and the kindergarten students were brought down into their new rooms today."

He noted that a few items, such as some chairs, have been ordered but have not yet arrived.

Burley

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property that is part of the cemetery, although it is some distance from grave sites, Neilson said. Frank indicated the sale was possible but added that it would have to be sold as excess property, meaning property the city and public determines the city doesn't need.

Neilson said he also came to two of the City Council's regular work sessions to inform the council about progress he was making with the other property owners. He said he asked the council to keep the plans in confidence until he had a firm price.

Frank recalls Neilson talking to the council about his plans on two different occasions during the summer. He asked if the city had any problem with him looking at it, Frank said. "The council said no, find out what you want, and then let us know. Then that's when we'll make our decision. He still wasn't at the point where the council needed to make any decisions."

Frank and Neilson said they never discussed a price because the talks didn't reach that point. Frank said if the city decides to vacate the land, and offer it for sale, the law requires the land to be sold at public auction.

Frank says Smith's has never formally asked the council about purchasing the property, so "the council has given no consideration one way or the other."

"We're not trying to hide anything. We were just trying to maintain the

confidence of the persons we were talking to," Frank says.

Neilson said it is common for developers to work with city officials for some time before presenting a plan to a city council. "There will be citizens who will have questions, and you have to be prepared to answer those questions," Neilson said.

Neilson said he didn't discuss the deal with any of the council members. "I just told them what I would like to do."

'My concern is that Smith's will go elsewhere in the city, or outside the city.'

-Mike Neilson, shopping center representative

Neilson said Smith's has indicated it will move to another location in Burley or outside of town if it can't get its "super store" in Overland. He declined to say if the location outside of Burley might be some distance from the city.

"My concern is that Smith's will go elsewhere in the city, or outside the city," Neilson says. "We have 21 other tenants there and we need the traffic drawn in by Smith's."

At a City Council meeting last week, residents objected to selling cemetery land to build a new store. "I visited with the folks who stood up at the council meeting to tell them we had no intention of disturbing their cemetery," Neilson says.

Local residents were upset by stakes that had been driven into the cemetery, but Neilson says "those stakes were to verify elevation and had nothing to do with a boundary. They were not in the right location for the boundary, that would be about 10 feet to the north."

The stakes were driven to help determine the solidity of the ground, which has an underground creek in the area, Neilson said. "Before we could determine if we wanted to buy the property, I had to do those things," Neilson said.

He said he regrets that the stakes were driven prematurely and caused concern among Burley residents. "We were very sensitive from the first because we knew that property is close to the cemetery, so we took that into consideration," he said.

Neilson said, if the Smith's store is built at Overland, a six-foot concrete wall will be built not closer than 15 feet from the nearest grave.

If Neilson is successful in putting together the package for Smith's, and if Smith's decides to build on the location at the Overland site, several stores at that site would have to be relocated, probably to another space at the shopping center.

Spud

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"And the winner of the contest will win 20 big dollars," says Mac Morrow, festival publicity chairman.

On the Junior High School lawn, next to the courthouse, Gooding Senior Citizens will have a flea market from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Donated items will be welcome.

Also at 10 a.m., the Gooding Optimists and local businesses will sponsor runs of 10-K (6.2 miles) and 5-K (3.1 miles) beginning at the high school and ending at the courthouse.

Race entry forms are available at the Gooding offices of Oakley and Jones or Rod Spackman, from Donnelly Sports in Twin Falls, or by calling Bob Paulson at 934-8438. Entry fee is \$10. Each runner will get a T-shirt and prizes will be awarded in eight age groups from 13 and under to 60 and over.

It's a scenic, agricultural run, says Paulson, president of the Gooding Chamber of Commerce. "They'll get a look at a lot of potato ground."

At 11 a.m., a variety of "putato games" will begin on the courthouse lawn. John Infanger, game organizer, says the first event will be a tug-of-war between local policemen and firemen. Next, he says, potato-sack races will offer prizes in 14 age groups from five to 18.

Another contest is a three-legged

race with runners carrying potatoes on spoons.

In the potato marching contest, strength will be demonstrated as entries whack raw potatoes with an oversized wooden mallet. Winners will be determined by who ends up with the flattest potato. Only one hit allowed per spud.

A potato-eating contest will offer prizes to whoever can eat the most mashed or french-fried potatoes, depending on what the cooks make.

From 12:30-2 p.m., a baked spud buffet will be served on the courthouse lawn. Merchants will serve potatoes topped with a selection of butter, sour cream, chili and onions, along with green salad, macaroni salad, ice cream and Pepsi. Cost is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.

Winner of the biggest potato contest will be announced during the buffet.

From 1 to 3 p.m., live entertainment will be provided by the Old Time Fiddlers and by The Dance Center of Gooding.

At 2:30 p.m., merchants will dump all entries from their stores into a bin and drawings will be held for a new color television and a 10-speed bicycle. Winners must be present to win.

At 3:30, an aerial ping-pong ball drop will dump about 2,500 balls on about two blocks of Main Street.

Aragon

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feesional job, that you learn not to hate people, that you learn to judge the act and not to judge them personally," he said.

The Idaho Supreme Court denied Aragon's second appeal, which meant his only other course was appeals through the federal system.

Fair

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sioners and fair board members also get in free, Peters said.

Then there are those who work in the concession and exhibition booths. Peters said a certain number of passes are issued to each booth.

Food booths are given one pass per each \$100 cost of the booth. The division of space occupied by the booth is also taken into consideration, noting that a 20-by-20-foot booth usually averages about four passes.

Merchant exhibitors receive two passes per 10 feet of booth space.

In the latest ruling, Aragon asked for reversal because he was defended at trial by a lawyer inexperienced in capital cases.

However, the Supreme Court said that evaluation should be based on performance, not experience, and there was nothing in the record to indicate Aragon received a less-than-adequate defense.

The passes policy of the Twin Falls fair is typical of fairs across the country, Peters said. "A few have no passes, like the Minnesota State Fair, but most have a pass policy similar to ours," he said.

Peters said he doesn't know exactly how many passes were issued at this year's fair, but said fairs usually figure they'll get 60-80 percent of a total admission figure.

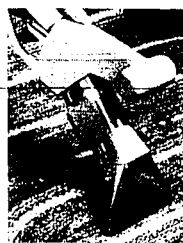
That may sound high, but that many people get into fairs free at almost anywhere in the country," he said.

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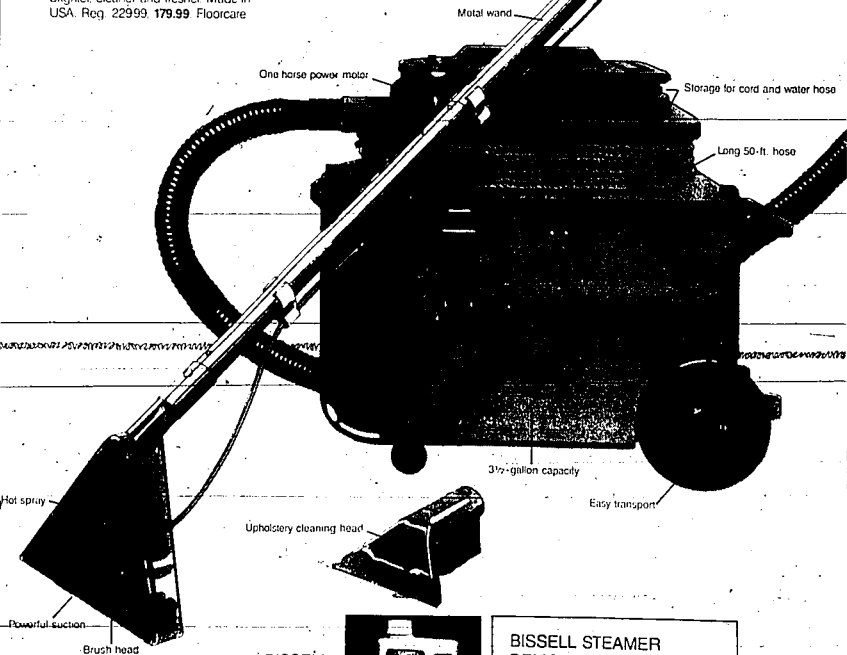
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Firefighters make final assault on major Montana forest fire

HELENA, Mont. (AP) — Army reinforcements began arriving Wednesday for a final assault on the giant Canyon Creek fire in west-central Montana, while crews drew close to completing fire lines in a treacherous blaze in Glacier National Park.

Calling firefighting "the moral equivalent of war," Col. Ben Benigson of the 3rd Brigade of the Army's 9th Infantry Division from Fort Lewis, Wash., said his men were excited about their impending duty on the 247,000-acre Canyon Creek fire.

"We have been leaning forward in the saddle, if you will," he said.

After receiving some on-site training, fire officials said the soldiers will join crews Thursday for mop-up duties on the blaze burning in and around the Scappagot Wilderness.

At the 31,800-acre Red Bench fire in Glacier Park, firefighters were working on the final two miles of line Wednesday afternoon, incident commander Bob Wagener said.

It should be completed today or tomorrow, depending on the conditions, he said. "Without the winds, this fire will remain on the ground. If we can cut that off, we can stop the threat of the fire continuing to grow."

The fire has destroyed 21 homes and numerous outbuildings, killed one firefighter and injured as many as a dozen others since it exploded out of control Sept. 6.

Elsewhere in the state, containment of the three-month-old Storm Creek fire north of Yellowstone National Park was predicted by Saturday and crews attacked hot spots on

the North Fork fire in the park near Gardiner and West Yellowstone.

On the Canyon Creek fire north-west of Helena, about 900 Army personnel arrived Wednesday and another 900 were expected Thursday, swelling the firefighting force to more than 3,000 people.

Despite the increase in manpower and the general winding down of the firefighting effort, incident commander Ron Curtis said it will probably take more cold, wet weather before the blaze is finally extinguished.

"We need a good wetting rain or a big snow storm," he said.

The fire, hit hard by snow and rain last weekend, has been burning since June 25, mostly in rugged, mountainous terrain. Last week, it destroyed four dwellings near the Dearborn River.

Information officer Jane Weber said soldiers were based to Ovando Wednesday and would join crews on the fire's west flank Thursday, helping construct fire lines and put out hot spots.

More than 20 miles away on the fire's east front, aerial water drops were made on hot spots and crews built backcountry landing areas for helicopters that will transport firefighters for a ground attack Thursday, she said.

"We're kind of hoping that by the weekend, that east zone will be wrapped up," she said.

About 500 firefighters set up a new base camp at the Augusta airport Wednesday after getting two days off because of heavy snow along the

eastern Rocky Mountain front.

Weber said as of Tuesday, firefighting costs on the Canyon Creek fire were \$5.49 million.

A firefighter injured on the Red Bench fire was listed in serious but stable condition Wednesday at a Missoula hospital.

William G. Harris of Redding, Calif., suffered head injuries when he was hit by a falling tree Tuesday, said Bert Stout of the Flathead National Forest.

Fire information officer Dave Cawse said Harris might have died were it not for quick action by paramedics with a Canadian "hot shot" fire crew, which happened to be nearby when the accident occurred.

Incident commander Wagener said as long as winds did not pick up, crews would continue to make progress on the fire. Nearly 60 miles of line have been completed on the blaze, he said.

Once those lines are complete, mop-up work can begin, he added.

On the North Fork fire near Gardiner, smokejumpers were still battling hot spots Wednesday in the Yellowstone River canyon east of town, and crews were building fire lines and fighting other small flareups.

Janet McBride of the Gallatin National Forest said more than five miles of line has yet to be constructed in the Mammoth Hot Springs-Gardiner area, but that crews will get some help from the weather.

Utah woman helps prosecutors in tracking down porn distributor

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — U.S. Attorney Brent Ward credited a Utah woman for helping prosecutors convict a California man who was sentenced Wednesday to 18 months in prison for sending unsolicited pornography advertisements.

U.S. District Judge J. Thomas Greene also ordered Lejny Winkler, of Pomona Beach, Calif., to pay a \$50,000 fine. In addition, Winkler will be on probation for three years following his prison term.

Winkler was charged with sending sexually oriented advertisements to a person who had asked not to receive them, and mailing to an undercover post office box that was being monitored by postal inspectors.

The sentence sets a precedent for cases to come. This is the first time a defendant in an adult obscenity case

has received a prison term, Ward said in a news conference following sentencing.

Winkler also is the first person to be sentenced under a new federal "Postporn" campaign, which was started in Utah and is designed to crack down on large mail-order distributors of pornography.

The Winkler case began more than a year ago when Susan Shuldmeyer of Sandy called Ward's office after she was twice mailed fliers advertising pornographic materials.

After the first incident, Shuldmeyer filled out a form with the postal service restricting such mailings to her home.

Ward said no one is certain why Shuldmeyer received the second mailing, but that Winkler's mailing list contained "hundreds of thou-

sands of names."

Shuldmeyer said she was terrified and that she and several of her neighbors felt violated when they received the mailing.

"I don't care what people do in private, but I do care when they take pictures of it and put it in my mailbox," she said.

At the news conference, Ward presented Shuldmeyer with an award from the Justice Department for her efforts in the war against pornography.

Ward said Winkler plans to plead guilty to similar charges in Iowa.

Winkler stopped operating Universal Products Co., when charges were filed against him.

On Wednesday, defense attorney Robert Most argued unsuccessfully that Winkler is "an honorable, decent, honest man."

Craig, Givens face off in TV debate

COEUR D'ALENE, (AP) — Public television station KUID in Moscow will carry the Nov. 2 debate between Republican 1st District Rep. Larry Craig and his Democratic challenger, state Rep. Jeanne Givens of Coeur d'Alene.

The debate, sponsored by the North Idaho News Network and scheduled to take place at the Coeur

d'Alene Resort, will be the last face-to-face meeting between the two candidates before the Nov. 8 election.

Russ Spain, general manager of KUID, said the debate will be taped and the broadcast date will be announced soon.

The Idaho League of Women Voters and the Idaho Press Club had criticized Craig for his refusal to accept their invitation to debate Mrs. Givens in Boise or Moscow so the debate could be carried on statewide television by the Idaho Educational Public Broadcasting System.

KUID accepted the invitation from the North Idaho News Network to carry the program. In addition, a network of 1st District radio stations is being formed to carry the debate live.

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Judge denies motion for retrial of Addam Swapp

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — An angry federal judge Wednesday denied a motion for retrial of Addam Swapp, the polygamist clan leader convicted on charges stemming from the January bombing of a Mormon Church and a subsequent standoff with police.

In denying the motion, U.S. District Judge Bruce Jenkins gave a tongue-lashing to defense attorneys, accusing them of going on a "random fishing expedition of jurors" in an attempt to win a new trial for Swapp, 27.

Jenkins recalled that he had earlier received a confidential letter alleging some of the jurors in the trial of Addam Swapp, his brother Jonathan Swapp, clan patriarch Vickie Singer, and her son, John Timothy Singer, had been exposed to prejudicial matter during and before their deliberations.

However, the judge said that he had conducted an inquiry at the time and turned up nothing to support the allegations. After that inquiry, defense attorneys withdrew the earlier motion for a new trial.

Wednesday, in denying a refiling of the same motion, Jenkins also prohibited the attorneys from future contact with jurors.

"It was a good jury; it was your jury... They took an oath as a jury and you took an oath as members of the bar," the judge said, indicating he felt attorneys had gone overboard in looking for evidence to support a new trial motion.

"Quite frankly, the jurors ought to be left alone," Jenkins said.

The jury has a right to post-verdict pri-

vacancy and society has a right to the stability and finality of the verdict, Jenkins said.

Lawyers representing all four defendants, who did not attend, appeared in court. Addam Swapp's attorney John Bucher, presented the motion.

The Swapp brothers, Mrs. Singer and her son, John Timothy, were convicted in federal court last May on charges stemming from the Jan. 16 bombing of a Mormon chapel in Marion, and the 3-day standoff with police at the Singer-Swapp farm that followed.

Addam Swapp was sentenced to 15 years, Jonathan Swapp and John Timothy Singer were sentenced to 10 years and Vickie Singer was sentenced to five years in prison.

Addam Swapp, Jonathan Swapp and John Timothy Singer now face state charges of second-degree murder in the slaying of Corrections Lt. Fred House during the shootout that ended the standoff on Jan. 28. Addam Swapp was wounded in the exchange of gunfire.

Lawsuit targets utility merger

SALEM, Ore. (AP) — An Oregon utility watchdog organization has sued the state Public Utility Commission in an effort to block the merger of PacifiCorp and Utah Power & Light Co.

The Citizens Utility Board filed the lawsuit Tuesday in Marion County Circuit Court.

Under the merger, Utah Power would become a division of the Portland-based PacifiCorp and part of an \$8 billion system serving seven Western states.

Shareholders of both companies have approved the merger, as have state regulatory commissions in Oregon and six other states. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has yet to issue a decision, however. An administrative law judge has recommended that the agency deny the merger on grounds that it is anti-competitive.

The lawsuit alleges that Oregon ratepayers will subsidize Utah Power's ratepayers because the latter received a unilateral rate reduction of 2 percent during the proceedings.

Utah Power intends to grant further reductions of up to 10 percent, the lawsuit contends, while no corresponding rate reductions will go to Oregon ratepayers.

There is no evidence that the stockholders of the merged corporation can absorb the rate reductions given to Utah Power ratepayers, the lawsuit says.

PacifiCorp spokesman Glenn Gillespie said today that while he hasn't seen CUB's lawsuit, the group is wrong about Oregon consumers facing the prospect of subsidizing Utah ratepayers.

Grant to aid waste reduction

BOISE (AP) — A state agency has received a \$42,500 federal grant designed to help small businesses reduce hazardous waste.

The Idaho Division of Environmental Quality received the grant from the Environmental Protection Agency. The money will be used to train auto mechanics, dry cleaners, printers and electroplaters to minimize waste from their businesses. Workshops should begin early next year.

"Waste prevention, not producing the waste in the first place, just makes good business sense," said John Moeller, manager for the Bureau of Hazardous Materials.

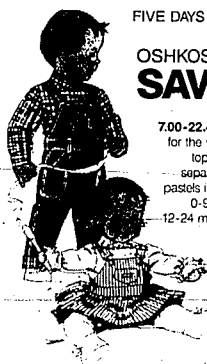
Moeller said waste disposal costs are increasing rapidly but many businesses can cut costs, boost efficiency, save raw material and reduce pollution by learning to prevent hazardous waste.

In a related development, Safety Kleen Corp., Elgin, Ill., has received a license to construct a hazardous waste facility near the Boise Municipal Airport.

The company also has applied for a permit to operate the proposed facility at Gowen Road and Supply Way in the Boise Industrial Park. Plans call for Safety Kleen to store commercial solvents at that location until they are shipped out of the state for recycling.

Safety Kleen is the first project approved for construction under the state's Hazardous Waste Facility Siting Act of 1985. It requires approval from the Department of Health and Welfare and promotes community involvement in siting decisions.

Safety Kleen leases and services small units used to collect solvent used in automotive work, industrial maintenance and dry cleaning.



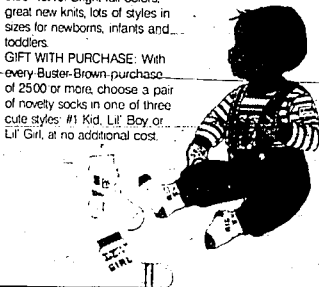
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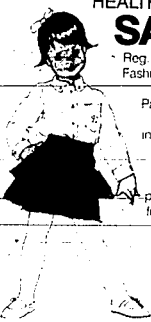
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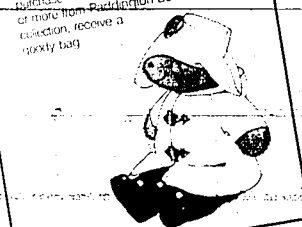
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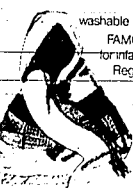
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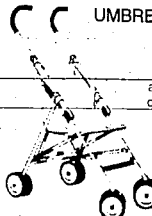
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BOISE (AP) — The Idaho Public Utilities Commission has ordered U.S. West Communications, formerly Mountain Bell, whenever possible to accommodate customer requests for specific phone numbers as the company installs a new central office in northwest Boise.

Customers will be switched to a new office, with a new three-digit prefix, 853, in early December.

"The transition should be made as painless as possible for customers," the PUC said Wednesday. "We appreciate the fact that the company has been trying to do just that by responding positively

and promptly to complaints that have been made."

The PUC said it wanted U.S. West to go a little further and allow customers to retain the last four digits of their old numbers in their new number assignment.

"If that is not possible, then we direct that the company be flexible in allowing customers to choose the last four digits that will be the most convenient," the order said.

Customers affected by the change have been notified by the company and most already have been assigned a new number.

Idaho places low in mental health services

BOISE (AP) — Idaho's mental health services rank 46th in the nation and are headed for last place, according to a survey released Tuesday. The survey, which ranked all 50 states and the District of Columbia, is a joint effort of the Public Citizen Health Research Group and the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill.

The best advice for someone living in Idaho who is planning on becoming seriously mentally ill is to move to another state.

"Idaho's services for the mentally ill are bad and getting worse."

"Overall, Idaho must be considered a serious future contender for the position of worst mental health services in the nation."

The poll is based on 12 sources, including questionnaires returned by 82 percent of state directors of mental

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—Mental health services survey

health and documents obtained under Freedom of Information laws.

According to the study, Idaho spends only \$14.95 per capita on public mental-health services. Only Arizona spends less.

Rich Donovan, director of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, which runs the state's mental health programs, said although he would dispute some details of the survey, "The overall evaluation is accurate. Our services for the mentally ill are substandard."

The survey rates only public mental health services for the seriously mentally ill.

The study found neither public mental hospital, State Hospital South in Blackfoot or State Hospital North in Orofino, accredited or certified.

It suggested an acute inpatient unit near Boise, where a third of the state's population is concentrated.

The public hospitals each are about 250 miles from Boise. Salary scales are too low for men-

tal health personnel, community centers offer "taken" rehabilitation and housing for outpatients is uneven.

"Idaho in that way represents the worst aspects of deinstitutionalization — large numbers of individuals moved from one lousy institution (state hospitals) to another lousy institution (shelter homes) merely to shift the primary fiscal burden from the state to the federal government," the survey said.

In Idaho, community services for the mentally ill suffer, Donovan said. Twenty to 25 professionals work in each of the state's seven regions to treat people as outpatients. "That's not even close to enough," he said.

"The people that we see receive good services, but the majority of those who need to be seen aren't being seen," Donovan said.

'Temptation' hits Boise on Friday

BOISE (AP) — The controversial movie, "The Last Temptation of Christ," opens in Boise on Friday at the Egyptian Theater and local ministers hold mixed feelings.

Several Boise ministers said they and members of their congregations plan to boycott the film. Other ministers said they are pleased that Boise residents will have a chance to see the production.

"I certainly do not plan to go, and I don't know anyone in our church who would," said the Rev. James Newman, pastor of Lake Hazel Baptist Church. "I think conservatives as a whole won't go."

Newman said he didn't plan to picket, and didn't know of any other ministers who planned to picket. But he said he deplored the unruly picketing reported in other cities.

"If there is to be picketing, it needs to be done with proper order. There has to be respect for other people," he said.

The Rev. Don Peterman, associate pastor of First Church of the Nazarene in Boise, also plans to skip the movie. "I have discouraged my people from seeing it," he said.

"I'd love to see it," said Rev. William Edelen, pastor of Community Congregational Church in McCall. "The basic issue is, by trying to get the movie cancelled, they're trying to rewrite the Bill of Rights in the Constitution. If they'd have kept their mouth shut, it would have come and gone."

The Rev. Kurt J. Kremlick Jr., pastor of Southminster Presbyterian Church, was one of five ministers who wrote letters supporting screening of the film.

School to help end student tobacco use

MERIDIAN (AP) — Students caught smoking or chewing tobacco in the Meridian School District now have an alternative to the usual punishment of three days suspension.

The School Board on Tuesday approved a tobacco education program it hopes will help students kick the habit.

"We will teach them to see themselves in smokeless situations," said Mike Conroy, the teacher who organized the curriculum.

Students grades six through 12 will learn relaxation techniques and stress management as part of the course. They will learn to put something in the place of tobacco, such as music appreciation or exercise, Conroy said.

The nine-hour, four-session class will be designed to educate people about tobacco's effects.

Conroy, a microbiology teacher at Meridian High School, will use materials from the American Cancer Society to teach the course.

Pro-INEL group plans to kick off public image drive

BLACKFOOT (AP) — The Citizens for the INEL Committee plans to kick off a drive this fall to improve the public image of the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory.

The committee will operate as a subcommittee of the Eastern Idaho Council on Industry and Energy, but will have a separate focus and a separate budget, said EICIE board member Roy Miller Sr. of Pocatello.

Miller said the EICIE board agreed that the organization should become the umbrella group for the committee because it supports its goals.

"What would happen to this valley if nine to

eleven thousand people were laid off at the INEL?" he said.

INEL Committee members Lane Allgood and Jim Reed said Tuesday that the organization will try to counter negative publicity about projects at the eastern Idaho U.S. Department of Energy nuclear reservation by educating the public and Idaho's elected officials about the site and how it benefits Idaho residents.

Allgood, an Idaho Falls businessman, said the city of Richland, Wash., where the Hanford Nuclear Reservation is located, is dying because the federal government believed Washington residents didn't want the site there.

He said anti-nuclear groups who spoke out against it were extremely visible and vocal, while those who favored it were largely silent.

"Once they got Hanford shut down, their sights focused on the INEL," he said. "They're sending a message to us that from now on we have to fight."

He said anti-nuclear organizations hire demonstrators through the classified ad sections of newspapers, and many of them do not live near the site they are demonstrating against, or even in the state.

But they get the message across that the people of the state don't want nuclear projects

there, and the government isn't going to send these projects where they're not wanted," Allgood said.

Reed, who is labor coordinator for the INEL, said the committee is seeking members from throughout the state. He said the group will set up a speakers' bureau whose members will appear before various groups and present the INEL's case.

He said news conferences and other events are scheduled in Pocatello and Idaho Falls next month to push the Citizens for the INEL Committee's message.

Fire center spends \$300,000 since July

BOISE (AP) — The Boise Interagency Fire Center, which coordinates national federal firefighting efforts, has spent at least \$300,000 in Boise since serious fires broke out in July.

Ruth Ann Smith, BIFC spokesman, said this year's fires have created a demand for everything from laundry service to helicopter parts. Nationwide, fires have

burned more than 4 million acres, the worst season in 30 years.

Clothesline Cleaners has washed \$24,000 worth of sleeping bags and fire shirts this season. Vance Poulsen of Weld-Pro said about 25 percent of his company's business is BIFC contracts.

Smith said at times, she has faced shortages of certain items.

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Better pay, returning teachers fend off shortage in schools

States News Service

WASHINGTON --Higher salaries and a migration of older, highly educated and experienced teachers back into the classroom has successfully warded off a teacher shortage in Idaho and other public schools across the country, according to a private education organization survey released Tuesday.

"This nation has probably never been in a better position to fill all its teaching positions with highly qualified adults eager to teach," said Dr. Emily Feistritzer, director of the National Center for Education Information, which released the report. "In fact, there is a teacher glut."

NCEI findings clash with predictions of a teacher shortage by teachers' unions and state education departments, however.

National Education Association spokesperson Marilyn Rogers charged that the report masks a very serious teacher shortage.

"It's unlikely that you'll go into a school classroom and not see a teacher," Rogers said. "They (schools) compensate for shortages by using unqualified teachers, assigning teachers outside the areas of certification, increasing class sizes and eliminating course offerings."

Dr. Michael Friend, supervisor of teacher education and certification for the Idaho Department of Education, said that while Idaho schools have not been flooded with teaching applicants and still draw half their hirings from teachers with out-of-state degrees, the state has not experienced a pinch.

"We're at least holding our own," Friend said.

The NCEI report, based on surveys of 75 school districts, state teacher education and certification offices in 50 states and more than 1,000 people looking for teaching jobs, said that special education and bilingual education posts were the only ones consistently difficult to fill.

Idaho's Friend echoed this finding. Since the 1976-77 school year, Idaho has had to double the number of teachers it places in special education posts who are working toward, but have not received, a teaching degree, Friend said.

NCEI's Feistritzer said the teacher glut "boils down to demographics."

People who trained to teach during the period when enrollment fell 15 percent (from 1970 to 1983) and couldn't find teaching jobs are turning back to teaching, the report said. "People in other careers and early re-

turns are expressing interest in teaching the nation's youth."

Feistritzer added, "the higher salaries boost this (demographic) shift." Teacher pay has increased an average of 62 percent nationwide since the 1980-81 school year, the report said.

According to the NCEI survey, more former teachers and recent graduates from within Idaho apply for teaching certificates in the state today than five years ago.

However, the report also noted that teachers in Idaho collect some of the lowest paychecks in the country - the salaries rank 45th in the nation. Moreover, the state does not figure among the most favorable in which to teach: only 21 of 901 prospective teachers listed the state as a preferred place to work, according to the report.

NEA's Rogers charged that across the country, students are being shortchanged: Feistritzer is the only one out there saying there isn't a teacher shortage.

The Carnegie Foundation, the National Standards Board, the NEA and other teachers organizations all say there will be a continuing and growing teacher shortage, Rogers said.



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Women become integral owners

The large-scale entry of women into the work force is one of the most important economic developments of the 20th century. The number of businesses owned solely by women has surged to more than 3.8 million, representing 28 percent of all privately owned businesses in the U.S.

By the year 2000 - less than 12 years from now - women-owned businesses will represent 50 percent of all privately owned U.S. businesses. IRS statistics show that between 1984 and 1985 the number of women-owned businesses increased 11 percent, while receipts from these businesses skyrocketed to \$56 billion. In just one year!



Sylvia Porter

This has revolutionized life styles in the United States, turning relationships between men and women upside down. There is no comparing the life of a woman born into post-World War II society with that of a woman living in the 1920s.

While the American woman as a business owner is not a new phenomenon, and outstanding successes have been noted throughout the 20th century, what is new is the rapid growth of the successful woman entrepreneur. Some have inherited their role, but most of the shining successes have started on their own.

As Pat Harrison, president of the National Women's Economic Alliance (NWEA) in Washington, D.C., and author of "America's New Women Entrepreneurs," says, "American women are recognizing their own entrepreneurial talents and creating profits and jobs in the process. Other countries are recognizing that the free enterprise system provides its own incentives, encourages creativity in the marketplace and provides opportunity for employment where none existed before."

In response to requests from the Small Business Program of Ireland, the NWEA recently named six American women, representing manufacturing and service industries in the United States, to consult with representatives of Irish women in Dublin. (Women-owned businesses are the fastest growing segment of Ireland's small business community.)

The six women who accompanied Harrison to Ireland for the workshop were:

Beryl Digney, chairman and chief executive officer of Oberdorfer Foundries and Oberdorfer Pumps of Syracuse, NY. She has been recognized nationwide for her business acumen and community contributions.

Joyce Eddy, president and founder of Habarsham Plantation Corp., a furniture manufacturer in Toccoa, GA. In 1983, Ms. Eddy was named Georgia's Woman of the Year.

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Not entirely 'Tucker-ed' out



Industrial designer J. Gordon Lippincott relaxes on the fender of a Tucker car

The 1948 Torpedo becomes an item
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES - Tucker, the man and his dream, are long dead. But many of his 1948 cars, the designer who built this Route 66 cruiser, some family and much of the cult history of rebel Preston Tucker survive in Southern California.

Since the release of the movie, "Tucker: The Man and His Dream," analyses of the builder and his car have exhumed a controversy dead for 40 years, and for those considering the cars as an investment ... well, you should have bought a Tucker yesterday.

"I had a (broker) call me from Louisiana who said he had a Tucker with only 3,000 original miles on it," said North Hollywood car auctioneer Rick Cole. "He asked me - how much I thought it was worth."

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Mystery car trip shows wrinkle

By JOHN F. CULLICOTT
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - The envelope in the day's mail guaranteed my attention: "LAW ENFORCEMENT NOTICE" was stamped across the front. Sure enough, The Prince William County (Va.) Police Department was advising that I had not paid a \$50 ticket for parking in a space reserved for the handicapped.

The ticket had been issued six months before at the front entrance to Potomac Mills Mall in Woodbridge, Va., a place I have never been, and it included a license number that did not match mine. Taking second things first, I tracked down the license number. I discovered it was assigned to temporary tags issued to a used car I had bought from a dealer in the Washington area in November.

It took a while to find out: The number had not been written on any of the original sales documents. It existed only on the temporary registration, which I found under the flashlight in my wife's George Winston tapes in the glove compartment. If I had been a better housekeeper, I would have pitched it when I got my permanent registration.

On to my first problem: How did my car get to Prince William County, which is well outside the Washington area and which I only visit while driving through on I-95 or I-66. A check of my records from the time the car was purchased showed that it was undergoing some body work and transmission repairs back at the dealer's shop on the date of the ticket, in accordance with my original sales agreement.

I called the service manager to ask about my car's pre-Christmas shopping visit to the mall. "Send me your records," he said, "and we'll check it out."

Turns out the dealer's body shop, where I was told the work was to be done, was pretty busy and the used-car office subcontracted the work to a body shop in Stafford, Va., a 90-mile round trip I certainly did not authorize at the time and never would. The driver who took my car to Stafford apparently swung by the mall on the way down (and tossed out the ticket). The dealer agreed to reimburse me for the \$50.

The incident, however, left me wondering: The car dealer knew a lot about me and my finances - within five minutes of the start of bargaining on the purchase price of the car, the sales staff had asked for a credit card. Apparently, the card was used to check a computer credit file, since a salesman returned from another office just a minute later to ask: "So what do you do at The Post?"

But I knew nothing about the dealer and how he operated. It was only my own record-keeping, incomplete as it was, that helped me sort out the questions after the police notice arrived. Without my day-by-day

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Cut your utility bill

Vinyl windows are energy efficient

Q: I am interested in getting energy-efficient replacement windows and I have been considering vinyl windows. Are they generally good windows and what should I look for when selecting them? - T.D.

A: Vinyl (frame material) replacement windows are very energy-efficient. They are consistently capturing a larger share of the replacement window market and are some of the highest quality made.

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There are significant differences in the quality of various types of vinyl replacement windows. A poorly constructed window often lacks adequate rigidity, especially in very hot weather.

If the window deflects excessively, the window-to-frame seal can become leaky, the weatherstripping may not seal well, and the window may not open and close smoothly.

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James Duley

The expansion and contraction from temperature changes can cause the screws to loosen over time.

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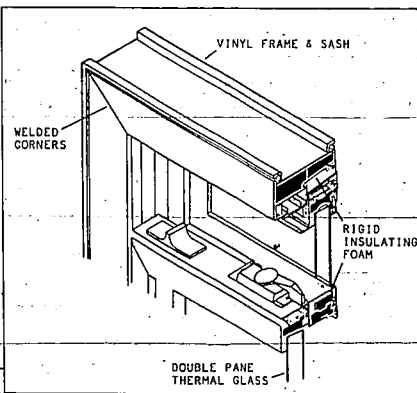
You can write to me for UTILITY BILLS UPDATE No. 366 showing a list of manufacturers of insulating foam-filled vinyl replacement windows, information and specifications on the new high-density-foam-filled windows, and a chart comparing energy-efficiency test results for various types of replacement windows. Please include \$1.00 and a self-addressed envelope.

Q: Does it waste much electricity to put hot foods in the refrigerator immediately after we finish dinner or is it better to wait until they cool down a little? - J.C.

A: From an energy-efficiency standpoint, any warm food you put in your refrigerator forces the motor to run more. However, people often leave warm food out to cool too long and they run the risk of food poisoning. Check with your local health department for safe cooling time periods.

If you do put hot foods in your refrigerator, cover them with a tight-fitting lid. That reduces the water vapor given off and the cooling load and amount of electricity used.

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If a bad attitude provokes help, what about a good one?

Minneapolis millionaire Percy Ross is internationally known for his philanthropic works and likes to encourage others to help solve problems for those in need. He has earned a fortune and a wealth of knowledge during his lifetime and wants to share both before his death. His motto is: "He who gives while he lives ... also knows where it goes."



Percy Ross

Dear Mr. Ross: I wrote to you a few weeks ago and since you don't feel it in your heart to help me, maybe you'll at least read this letter.

If you really care about people, why in the heck don't you help women with child support or something that will really make a difference? Instead, I read where you bought a pair of shoes for a disabled elderly woman while my son has to wear a black boy's hand-me-downs.

I believe you're just making fun of people like me. All you want is to make people think you're something you're not. I only wrote you to prove a point - that you only help those who can help themselves - not people like me who can't help themselves.

All I can afford now is the 25-cent stamp on this letter. Personally, I don't think you're even worth the price of that. Thanks for nothing. - Mrs. N.C.

Winston-Salem, N.C.

Dear Mrs. C.: I read your letter with mixed emotions. Your "the world owes me" attitude makes it difficult to help you. However, over the years that I've done this column, I've learned to read between the lines and overlook the bitterness some people use to shame me into giving.

But your letter doesn't stop with bitterness. I also detect prejudice. Would the hand-me-downs your son is wearing be OK if they came from a white family?

Here's some food for thought: The check I'm

sending can be spent in any way you see fit. I hope it will be spent on clothing for your son. However, my motivation in sending it is to turn your thinking around. If you got this far with a negative approach, just think where you would have gotten with a positive approach.

Dear Mr. Ross: I'm writing in regard to my 7-year-old son. He needed reading glasses and fortunately, Medicin paid for them. On his way home from school, some kid pushed him down and threw his glasses in the sewer drain. I went to the parents of this boy and they refused to replace them.

You probably don't realize this, but Medicin will only pay once a year for children's glasses - my son only had them one week.

His glasses cost \$90, but it may as well be \$900, because I just don't have that kind of money. If you could replace them, I would be forever grateful.

- Ms. L.K. Flint, Mich.

Dear Ms. K.: The only thing more intolerable than a bully is the parents of a bully who refuse to believe that little "Johnny" or "Susie" could be such a rotten kid. As to your son's unfair experience, I'm prepared to right the wrong. My check for new glasses is on the way.

Dear Mr. Ross: Lately it seems as though I'm on a merry-go-round and can't get off. I took my current job after seven months of unemployment. As a single parent, it's my only income source.

There's only enough money to pay rent, utilities, and buy some groceries. Fortunately, my job is in a warehouse and clothes are not that important.

What I want is to find a better job. But to do that, I need some decent clothes and shoes. Frankly, I'm hard pressed to find a decent outfit to wear for a job interview.

I feel funny about asking for help, because there are so many people who have much less. It's hard, though, not to be discouraged

when you work so hard and can't make any headway.

I would appreciate any help, but with so many less fortunate people writing, I don't really expect any.

- Ms. L.B. Philadelphia

Dear Ms. B.: My sharing has never been restricted to the destitute. On the contrary, it's available to anyone who needs a helping hand. And you certainly qualify as a person who could benefit from a boost.

The check I've mailed won't catapult you over the obstacles ... but it'll make the trek over that much easier.

You may write to Percy Ross c/o The Times-News, P.O. Box 35000, Minneapolis, Minn. 55435. Include a telephone number if you wish. All letters sent to Mr. Ross are read. Only a few are answered in this column, although others may be acknowledged privately.

Ford, Nissan to produce minivans in Ohio plant

Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Ford Motor Co. and Nissan Motor Co. Ltd. have agreed to produce minivans together at a new \$728 million plant to be built in Avon Lake, Ohio, sources familiar with the agreement said Friday.

Ford and Nissan are to announce details of the agreement at simultaneous news conferences Monday in Japan and the United States. Ohio Governor Richard Celeste, who is in Japan on a trade mission, is slated to participate in the Nissan conference at the Paladino Hotel in Tokyo.

Ford and Nissan declined to comment on reports of the agreement. But one source familiar with the matter called it a "done deal."

The Ford-Nissan venture will mark Ford's second manufacturing involve-

ment with a Japanese automaker in the United States. Ford owns 25 percent of Japan's Mazda Motor Corp., which this year began producing front-wheel-drive, compact Ford Probe cars at the Mazda plant in Flat Rock, Mich. Mazda also produces a similar car there, the Mx-6, under its own nameplate.

Ford is not alone in this trans-Pacific twinning of automotive power. General Motors Corp. in 1984 became the first American automaker to build cars with the Japanese in the United States when it set up New United Motor Manufacturing Inc. with Toyota Motor Corp. in Fremont, Calif.

Chrysler Corp. also got into the act by teaming up with Mitsubishi Motors Corp. to build sporty compact cars at their jointly-owned Diamond-Stamp plant in Bloomington-Normal, Ill.

Tucker

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Despite the absence of recent transactions, local owners and experts say, Tucker prices are certainly rising from a recorded sale of \$35,000 nine years ago to today's projections of up to \$100,000.

"Among American-made collector cars," says John Tucker, 57, of Long Beach, Calif., one of three surviving sons of Preston Tucker, his dad's car now ranks No. 3 in value and desirability behind Duesenberg and Cord.

All of which might seem surprising for an automobile that never raced anywhere and won zero design awards. The Tucker was powered by a modified helicopter engine and sold no better than the Keller Chief that nobody remembers. It was produced for only one year before Tucker's informal business wars collided head-on with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The car also had a nasty habit of jamming its transmission.

Yet of 50 Tucker Torpedo sedans manufactured in 1948, a surprising 45 remain, and almost a quarter of those are owned by California auto museums and impassioned individuals.

Alex Tremulis, the former Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg stylist who brought design to Tucker's vision, is still alive and living in Ventura, Calif. Despite dimming eyesight, he is working on a three-wheeled motor car. At 74.

"It (Tucker Torpedo) was a real quickie of a job generated from scratch and completed in 100 days," he said. "The rear engine was my idea and that alone marks the car's moment of automotive history."

In such haste, however, there were shortcomings.

"But you have to remember that the first car of a series, like the first one of anything, will have flaws, no question about it," John Tucker said. He was a 17-year-old gofer at his father's factory when the Tucker was built. "But as they came along, the later ones were much better than the first. It was simply a matter of ironing out the kinks."

"And had the car rolled out 30 years earlier, Tucker believes, it would have been a success in a receptive market place then supplied by Henry Ford, Ransom Olds and Art Chevrolet.

"I've always thought that dad was the last of those pioneers," he said, "but by 1948, the romance had gone out of the car business. Cars were being built for the banks, not the people."

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gia's "Small Business Person of the Year."

Janice Heath, co-founder and president of Heath Industries, Inc. and Heath Electronics Manufacturing Corp. of Glens Ferry, ID. Her firm projects \$5 million in annual gross sales and employs 80 people, 50 percent of them women.

Paula Lambert, co-owner of The Mozarella Co., Dallas, TX, who runs the company that is the only specialty cheesemaker in the Southwest.

Rebecca Smith Tedesco, owner and president of Ameritrends, Inc., a Washington, D.C. temporary help service specializing in office, accounting and technical personnel and posting annual revenues of more than \$8 million.

Frankie Welch, president of Welch Designs, a Washington, D.C. manufacturer of scarves and bags. Many of her designs are represented in the Smithsonian's First Ladies collection.

Entrepreneurial traits demonstrated by successful people on a daily basis include: self-confidence, strong drive, commitment, goal setting at higher and higher levels of difficulty, and optimistic attitudes toward people and life.

The are "self-starters who do not wait for the 'perfect' environment before beginning," said Harrison. "Additionally, entrepreneurs understand that success is not a 9-to-5 endeavor."

Mystery

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notes on what had transpired, there was no written record on the status of the car. There was a general record in the firm's files, but would details have been available to me in a serious conflict over the car's whereabouts?

The folks at the local office of the American Automobile Association say I stumbled into what one staff member called "a new wrinkle" in the auto-repair business: In an effort to keep down the turnaround time in their shops, auto dealers are turning to subcontractors to keep up volume — and meet promises of delivery times to customers.

To protect yourself, AAA offers some suggestions:

• Be sure to tell the service depart-

ment manager you want to be informed if your car leaves his premises.

• Tell him you want to know about any subcontracting, the distance the car will be driven and who will be doing the driving.

• If you agree to subcontracting work, be sure to write into your service work order that all liability for off-premises driving will be assumed by the dealership. My experience, AAA says, was unusual but does happen, especially around the weekends, when cars may be driven to employees' homes — for "road testing."

The most basic item — and one I forgot to do — is simply to note the odometer mileage in, and out, of the shop. Ask about unusually high mile-

age put on the car.

• Above all, be sure you get a written and dated receipt or record when the car is left with any agent of the dealer. I didn't, but I sure will the next time.

I just dropped the keys off at the sales office with notes on what I wanted done. If that car had been involved in a hit-and-run, I could have been in big trouble. The used-car office seemed to operate in a low-key, laid-back manner. I wasn't offered a receipt and didn't ask for one. I thought I was simply going along with the way the shop did business to speed the process along. Never again.

Also, numbers can be very important. Your car's serial number, for example, can run up to 15 digits or

more, both letters and numbers. Be sure to check it on all sales documents. Better to get it right the first time than have to change records later when a mistake is noticed.

Be sure the numbers on your temporary license get noted on original documents. I was surprised to find that this is not routinely done, even by the biggest-name dealers.

When I bought the car, Mike, the salesman, said something like this: "The used-car business has changed since the '50s. We're stable and we look at the long haul. We're selling newer, better used cars for higher prices. We know that and we've changed our style."

Sorry, Mike, it all seems like business as usual to me.



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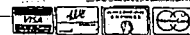
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Rise in Social Security contributions balance with benefits

By CARLA LAZZARESCI
Los Angeles Times

Q: Is it possible to determine the maximum amount an employee would have paid into Social Security from the time the program started through the end of 1988? I'm assuming that this employee paid the maximum amount for all these years and am not including any contributions from the employer. I have made a bet that the contributions don't amount to \$50,000.

A: Before answering, let me first say that your columnist is generally not inclined to settle bets in the news-

paper. However, because you have raised an interesting question, an exception is granted.

The Social Security Administration says that an employee who started making the maximum allowable contribution when the pension system began in 1937 would have contributed a total of \$34,166.99 over the next 51 years. By contrast, at today's maximum annual contribution level of \$3,379, it would take about 10 years to accumulate the same amount.

The reason for the relatively low level of accumulated contributions in 51 years stems directly from the almost negligible taxes assessed by the system in its first several decades.

For example, from 1937 through 1949, an employee's maximum annual Social Security contribution was \$30 (Yes, just \$30!).

Starting in 1950, contributions gradually increased. Still, by 1960, the maximum was just \$144 a year. By 1970, the level was \$374, and from that year on, contributions began to increase more steeply and more regularly. By 1980, the maximum contribution was \$1,587. None of these figures take into account the matching contributions made by employers.

At the same time that the maximum tax has increased, intermediate levels have been adjusted as well. For example, from 1937 through 1949,

workers paid 1 percent of their first \$3,000 in earnings. In 1950, that was changed to 1.5 percent of the first \$3,000. In 1951 and every year since, the percentage as well as the taxable base has been increased. In 1960, workers paid 3 percent of their first \$4,800; in 1970, they paid 4.8 percent of the first \$7,800. In 1980, the contribution was based on 6.13 percent of the first \$25,900. The rate currently stands at 7.51 percent of the first \$45,000 in earnings.

The Social Security Administration is quick to point out that benefits have increased as well. The same employee who contributed \$34,166.99 over a 51-year career would be eligible

to receive \$838 a month, and, at this rate, it would take about three years and five months to recoup the employee's share of the contributions.

Q: I was employed for many years by a large corporation, but I left in April to start my own consulting firm. During the years that the tax laws allowed me to make fully deductible contributions to an individual retirement account, I did. My IRA account offers me a good rate of return. Now I understand that I am eligible to open a Simplified Employee Pension (SEP) IRA. May I designate my original IRA as my SEP-IRA and

make my contributions to that account?

A: Yes, you may designate your original IRA account as your SEP account. However, you should check with your savings institution to see whether the terms of your original deposit allow you to make additions to your original account and whether any additions will earn the same interest rate as the original contribution. Some accounts allow additions to earn the interest rate of the original contribution; others do not.

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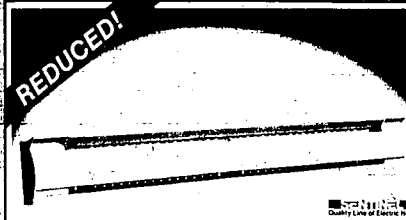


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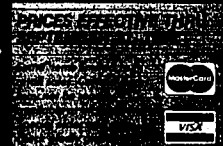
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By planning ahead, it is easy to lower 1988 tax bills

By WALLACE L. HEAD
Arthur Andersen & Co.

Unless you plan ahead, you'll miss opportunities to lower your 1988 tax bill. Here are five tax-cutting steps you might consider taking this year:

Tax income now
Income tax rates are the lowest the country has seen in years, but many observers feel this can't last. They think Congress will eventually raise rates maybe as early as 1989. If you agree, you'll take advantage of current rates by taking as much income as you can this year effectively increasing your after-tax take. People in professions, for example, may accelerate billing. Salaried employees might elect to receive bonuses in December instead of January. And those drawing income from individual retirement plans or Keogh plans may take their distributions now.

Branch Deductions
As you have probably learned, tax reform radically changed the de-



ducting game. You can generally take deductions only when the total passes a key amount; even then, only the overage is deductible. Medical expenses, for instance, must amount past 7.5 percent of adjusted gross income (AGI). Unreimbursed casualty or theft losses must pass 10 percent. Miscellaneous itemized deductions, such as tax preparation fees and professional dues, must pass 2 percent.

The implication for your tax planning strategy? Try to "bunch" these deductions in a single year to cross the threshold. Taking the bunch in a year

when you expect your AGI to be low helps, too.

Reduce your withholding and estimated payments
Each year, the government asks taxpayers to pay some taxes in advance. Specifically, by Jan. 15, 1989, you must have paid 90 percent of your 1988 tax liability or 100 percent of your 1987 tax bill, whichever is less. Otherwise, you'll be penalized.

Cocktail party chatter about "I'm getting a fat check back from the government" might suggest it's a good idea to prepay more than you must, but that's silly. If the government returns money, you should never have sent it!

By paying more than you owe, you have provided the government an interest-free loan. To ensure you are prepaying the right amount, project your tax liability for 1988. Then check

your records or most recent pay stub to see what you've paid so far and determine how much you are scheduled to pay during the rest of 1988. If you discover you are overpaying, reduce your payments make sure you pay only the minimum required by the Internal Revenue Service.

Take more vacations at your personal retreat

If you rent your vacation home to defray costs, you are accustomed to planning your vacation around Uncle Sam. You know that by personally using your home for under 15 days (or 10 percent of the days rented, if greater), you can qualify for certain deductions that save taxes. Yet tax reform means that greater tax benefits may be possible if the Internal Revenue Service views your vacation home as a "residence." And that could mean personally using your vacation home

for 15 days or more each year.

Track your interest

Preparing your tax return this year has probably taught you that the IRS now categorizes interest in five ways: personal, investment, passive, business, and qualified residence. Deductibility varies in each category. In 1988, for example, you can deduct all the interest on debt incurred for business purposes, but only 40 percent of the interest on personal debt is deductible in 1988. Categories are determined by the way you spend debt proceeds. Spending, then, determines how much interest you can deduct.

The tax strategy?

If you must borrow, try to borrow in a category that is more deductible like residential debt as opposed to one that is less like personal debt. Keep your borrowing in separate accounts, and remember: tracking where the money goes is essential to taking any deduction at all.

These suggestions aren't intended as a substitute for professional advice. As a result, we recommend you talk with your financial advisor before taking any of these steps. Generally, however, these steps will trim your tax payment for 1988.

BBB warns to be wary of suspect travel offers

Yet another suspect travel promotion has been reported to the Better Business Bureau of Treasure Valley, this time involving postcard notices from Global Travel, Inc. of Spartan, Tenn. This company, which is not to be confused with the Global Travel agency of Boise, sends out phony miss mailings of postcard cards implying the recipient has been selected to receive a luxury cruise to the Grand Bahamas, coupled with a stay in Orlando/Disneyworld, just for returning a phone call at his own expense.

Those making the phone calls are informed that the cruise and Disneyworld vacations are available for \$299.50, excluding meals and transportation. They are then requested to give a credit card number over the phone, a practice the BBB strongly discourages. The Nashville BBB, in whose area Global Travel is headquartered, has reported several complaints alleging misrepresentation of the vacation package, non-receipt of requested refunds, and unauthorized charges on credit cards.



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The Nashville BBB also reports that Global Travel uses various vacation offers, some of which are offered in conjunction with Florida firms such as Delco Tours and Royal American Holidays, Inc., both of which have been the subject of pending legal action.

The Better Business Bureau continues to advise against giving out credit card information over the phone. Prospective buyers should demand that the travel firm provide documentation describing exactly what the travel package contains, what costs are covered, and what restrictions or conditions apply. A reputable travel firm will answer all questions concerning the package before soliciting payment. When in doubt about any offer that seems too good to be true, contact your Better Business Bureau.

EPA offers radon test help

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Consumers planning to test their homes for radon in the wake of the report by the federal Environmental Protection Agency can get some free help through state agencies and the EPA.

Stephen Page of the EPA's Radon Program said homeowners or renters should get a copy of the "Citizen's Guide to Radon" available through state agencies or an area EPA office. The guide outlines steps consumers should take when using one of the several commercially available home testing kits.

Before purchasing a home kit, Page said, people should check with a list of 216 companies that have passed the EPA's Proficiency Test. Also, it is important to carefully follow kit instructions because even a slight deviation can easily alter the results, he said.

If the reading is 4 picocuries or higher, Page suggests a follow-up test. Once the level is known, several

steps can be taken to alleviate the problem.

One method, called sub-slab ventilation, is used in homes with the highest levels and costs \$800 to \$1,500. It involves poking a hole in the basement floor and inserting a polyvinylchloride pipe that leads to the attic or the outside where a fan carries away the gas. This can reduce the radon level by as much as 99 percent, Page said.

Two other relatively easy methods are sealing the sump pump or ventilating crawl spaces.

A third method, caulking any cracks in the basement floor, should almost always be used in conjunction with another method, he added.

Jason J. Gaertner, a Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources official in Gilbertville, the state's central office for radon issues, said Pennsylvania is one of two states with a radon certification program.

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Self-invited girlfriend tests hospitality

DEAR ABBY: For the last year, a young woman has been pursuing our son. Our home has always been open to our children's friends, so it was only natural for us to make "Agnes" welcome.

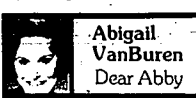
However, it seems that Agnes wants to see "John" every night, and since she lives some distance away, she brings a change of clothes and comes to our house straight from work. Of course, she then has dinner with us, or if we dine out, she goes with us.

I have talked to John about this, and he says he doesn't invite her. I believe this because I have heard his end of telephone conversations, and this aggressive girl will not take "no" for an answer. Agnes is neither homeless nor friendless — she just wants to get her hooks into our son.

We hate to be rude, but either she doesn't seem to realize that she is imposing or she doesn't care. Please help me. It's getting to the point where neither my husband nor I want to face what we know will be waiting for us when we get home from work.

—JOHN'S LONG-SUFFERING MOM

DEAR MOM: How old is John? If he is an adult, ask him to tell Agnes to



please discontinue the practice of coming to your home directly from work. If John is not an adult, then ORDER him to tell her. And if he doesn't do it, either you must tell her politely but emphatically — or tolerate the imposition.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have been married for five years. We are childless by choice, because we enjoy our career lifestyle.

My sister has four children and my brother two. I am beginning to feel more and more pressure to invite these spoiled, self-indulgent nieces and nephews to our home.

Since we live near a nice lake with swimming privileges, my sister and brother thought that this would be an ideal vacation spot for their children. Abby, I love my nieces and nephews, despite their shortcomings, but I am reluctant to invite them to sleep over. If I invite one, I will be expected to invite all the others, and then I'll be trapped forever. I really don't want

the responsibility of looking after children.

I see them in their own homes occasionally, and always remember their birthdays and Christmas.

I am beginning to feel guilty each time my sister or brother brings the subject up, and I am running out of excuses. As an aunt, would it be shameful of me never to have them in my home to spend the night? What do you think?

—NO CHILDREN, PLEASE

DEAR NO CHILDREN: I think you are missing an opportunity to give your nieces and nephews a

chance to know and love you. You say you "love" them; why not give them a "trial" run? You can't lose more than a few days out of the year — and you may be pleasantly rewarded with some new loving relationships.

Everything you need to know about planning a wedding can be found in Abby's booklet, "How to Have a Lovely Wedding." Send your name and address, plus check or money order for \$2.89 (\$3.39 in Canada), to Dear Abby, Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

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BUILDING MATERIAL
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NOTICE OF HEARING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to 67-5203, Idaho Code, the Idaho State Tax Commission will hold a public hearing in the offices of the State Tax Commission, "Hall of Mirrors" Building, 700 West State Street, Boise, Idaho, at 10:00 A.M. on the 7th day of October, 1988, for the purpose of considering the views of any and all interested persons relative to the adoption of proposed regulations relating to the IDAHO SALES AND USE TAX REGULATIONS. The proposals are being made to effect recent legislative changes, judicial rulings, and administrative interpretations relating to these taxes. The State Tax Commission has authority to promulgate these regulations pursuant to 67-5203 and 67-5209, for sales taxes and 67-513, Idaho Code, and its general rule making authority.

The proposed regulations have been prepared in pamphlet form and disseminated to the Tax Commission's Field Offices located in Coeur d'Alene, Lewiston, Twin Falls, Pocatello and Idaho Falls and in the Tax Commission's Boise Office. The proposals may be examined in person, and limited copies obtained from, such offices.

Short statements of substance of the rules proposed to be adopted, amended, or repealed are included below. Any interested person may make his views known orally by appearance at the date and time shown above, or by submitting written views to the Tax Commission, P.O. Box 36, Boise, Idaho 83722 (Attn: Legal Services) any time prior to the hearing. Persons wishing to testify are asked to notify the Commission of their intent to testify at the hearing above or by calling 800-334-7530 before 5:00 P.M. on the last business day prior to the hearing.

The numbering of these regulations corresponds with the last two digits of the applicable code section. Sales and use tax is (Chapter 36, Title 63, Idaho Code).

REGULATION 09.1 AMENDED: deletes example 1, to advertising agencies; corrects cross-referencing.

REGULATION 09.2 REPEALED: replaced by Regulation 12.25.

REGULATION 09.5 AMENDED: clarifies that commercial drinks served as part of an entertainment, such as, for example, at a restaurant, are not taxable when purchased by the carrier; adds that bus companies must charge sales tax if meals or beverages are sold to passengers.

REGULATION 10.4 AMENDED: changes the sales tax return filing date of county sheriff's to the 20th day of the month following the sale.

REGULATION 10.7 AMENDED: adds the Commission's authority to require multi-level marketing firms to remit tax on sales by agents.

REGULATION 12.2 AMENDED: clarifies that separately contracted error correction services are not taxable when purchasing an optional maintenance contract on software.

REGULATION 12.3 AMENDED: adds that nondepreciable, disposable goods consumed by occupants of hotels, motels, and campground are not subject to tax when purchased by the hotel, motel, or campground.

REGULATION 12.4 AMENDED: adds that charges for engraving are taxable; corrects grammar and cross-referencing.

REGULATION 12.5 REPEALED: replaced by Regulation 12.26.

REGULATION 12.8 AMENDED: provides that per 1988 legislation aircraft purchased for use primarily to transport of passengers or freight for hire are not taxable; aircraft purchased for use primarily in aerial spraying or dumping—control-flying services, and light instruction, as taxable; adds that interstate non-scheduled flights and standby time are taxable; defines aircraft, certified air carrier, regular scheduled flight, charter flight, recreational flight and freight.

REGULATION 12.25 ADOPTED: incorporates content of Regulation 09.2; adds that nutritional meals provided to the aging under Public Law 93-29 are exempt; defines goods directly consumed by customers purchasing meals drinks per 1988 legislation.

REGULATION 12.26 ADOPTED: replaced by Regulation 22.22 per 1988 legislation.

REGULATION 12.27 ADOPTED: replaced by Regulation 22.22 per 1988 legislation.

REGULATION 13.4 AMENDED: corrects cross-referencing and grammar.

REGULATION 13.5 ADOPTED: clarifies the sales and use tax responsibility of persons engaged in providing advertising, graphic artists, and similar services.

REGULATION 13.25 AMENDED: adds examples of taxable and nontaxable transportation charges.

REGULATION 13.26 AMENDED: incorporates content of Regulation 12.25, effective July 1, 1988, labor to repair recreational vehicles is taxable per 1988 legislation.

REGULATION 13.29 AMENDED: clarifies the amount of bad debt write-off allowed on reg. transactions.

REGULATION 13.31 ADOPTED: adds that tire balancing, studing, and siping are taxable services to be ordered when selling a tire; clarifies that fees for mounting a tire are nontaxable.

REGULATION 20.1 AMENDED: adds that a seller's permit may be cancelled by the Commission if inaccurate information is provided in pamphlet

form for 12 months.

REGULATION 20.4 AMENDED: defines "good faith" as the absence of a Resale Certificate; corrects grammar.

REGULATION 21.1 AMENDED: clarifies that a purchaser of a vehicle is not liable for sales tax if no evidence that tax was paid; clarifies existing language.

REGULATION 22.9 AMENDED: adds that recreation exemption per 1988 legislation.

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REGULATION 22.16 AMENDED: clarifies that the litigation equipment and supplies exemption does not include irrigation boats, off-highway motorcycles, or all-terrain vehicles.

REGULATION 22.20 AMENDED: adds that licensed log loaders and log jammers are taxable per 1988 legislation.

REGULATION 22.21 ADOPTED: adds exemptions granted to foreign diplomats.

REGULATION 22.22 ADOPTED: incorporates content of Regulation 12.25, 12.26, and 12.27, concerning occasional sales; incorporates content of Emergency Regulation 88-2 excluding recreation-related vehicles, aircraft, and boats from the occasional sales exemption per 1988 legislation; adds that the exemption for sales of motor vehicles between first and second degree family members does not apply if the seller does not pay a tax on the vehicle per 1988 legislation.

REGULATION 23.1 AMENDED: adds provisions for requesting extensions of time to file returns; provides that tax due of \$10,000 or greater must be paid by electronic funds transfer per 1988 legislation.

REGULATION 23.2 AMENDED: clarifies that a motor vehicle title or registration issued by another state only evidences tax paid to that state; adds that it provides a general retail sales tax and does not provide an exemption for the motor vehicle; clarifies that the exemption provided for private automobiles owned 90 days prior to moving to Idaho does not include automobiles titled to businesses; adds that per 1988 legislation, the exemption for sales of motor vehicles only applies if the seller has paid tax on the motor vehicle; clarifies the exemption provided for sales of motor vehicles to be removed from this regulation.

REGULATION 24.6 AMENDED: provides that holders of driver's permit authority may not use authority for taxes, dining on hotel, motel, and campground accommodations.

REGULATION 24.7 AMENDED: corrects cross-referencing.

REGULATION 25.1 AMENDED: provides that a bond demanded may be by personal service.

DATED this 15th day of August, 1988.

LARRY G. LOONEY, CHAIRMAN

PUBLISHED: Thursday, September 08, 15, 22, 1988

NOTICE OF HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to 67-5203, Idaho Code, the Idaho State Tax Commission will hold a public hearing in the offices of the State Tax Commission, "Hall of Mirrors" Building, 700 West State Street, Boise, Idaho, at 10:00 A.M. on the 23rd day of September, 1988, for the purpose of considering the views of any and all interested persons relative to the adoption of proposed regulations relating to the IDAHO SALES AND USE TAX REGULATIONS.

The proposals are being made to effect recent legislative changes, judicial rulings, and administrative interpretations relating to these taxes. The State Tax Commission has authority to promulgate these regulations pursuant to 67-5203 and 67-5209, for sales taxes and 67-513, Idaho Code, and its general rule making authority.

The proposed regulations have been prepared in pamphlet form and disseminated to the Tax Commission's Field Offices located in Coeur d'Alene, Lewiston, Twin Falls, Pocatello and Idaho Falls and in the Tax Commission's Boise Office. The proposals may be examined in person, and limited copies obtained from, such offices.

Short statements of substance of the rules proposed to be adopted, amended, or repealed are included below. Any interested person may make his views known orally by appearance at the date and time shown above, or by submitting written views to the Tax Commission, P.O. Box 36, Boise, Idaho 83722 (Attn: Legal Services) any time prior to the hearing.

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Woes continue to mount for Kentucky basketball

By MIKE EMBRY
The Associated Press

LEXINGTON, Ky. — With a new basketball season beginning in a month, the University of Kentucky hasn't seen an end to the last one.

There haven't been the sounds of bouncing balls, referee's whistles or cheerleaders' chants, but the stakes are just as high as any of the games played by the school's five national championship teams.

Ten days after Danny Manning led the Kansas Jayhawks to the NCAA title, April 4, the *Los Angeles Daily News* reported in a copyright article that a Kentucky assistant coach allegedly sent \$1,000 in cash to a prized recruit's father.

Since then, the beleaguered basketball program has faced:

- A letter of inquiry from the NCAA regarding the money and the prospects of 10 additional allegations of wrongdoing.
- The departure of talented guard Rex Chapman to the NBA, giving up his final two seasons with the Wildcats.
- Recruits Shawn Kemp and Sean Woods failing to meet Proposition 48 minimums, thereby sitting out in a season when the program must replace six lettermen.
- Allegations that Eric Manuel, the

leading scorer and rebounder back from last year's team, cheated on an American College Test to gain eligibility to play last season.

- Questions regarding the recruiting of Columbus, Ohio, standout Lawrence Funderburke.

And before the current problems surfaced, the school was slapped with a reprimand by the NCAA on March 3 for not fully cooperating on a previous investigation.

Indeed, it's been a long, hot summer for Kentucky basketball, which is coached by former College of Southern Idaho mentor Eddie Sutton.

"The rumors and speculations which have surrounded our program

have had many, many adverse effects," Kentucky coach Eddie Sutton said in a statement last week.

When the NCAA notified the school of its inquiry July 22, it said "approximately 10 additional allegations" would be submitted in about 30 days. The school has braced itself, but there hasn't been a word.

"We will defend the basketball program against any unfounded allegations," UK president David Roselle said after receiving notification from the NCAA, "but we will take full responsibility for any wrongdoing judged to have occurred."

Speculation has gone in different directions on the delay in allegations.

One view is that the NCAA is uncovering more rules infractions as it digs deeper in the probe. The other view is that the NCAA hasn't been able to find enough evidence to substantiate further charges.

Dwana Casey is the UK assistant alleged to have sent money by Emery Air Freight Corp. on March 30 to Claud Mills, father of recruit Chris Mills. Emery employees said a package containing a videocassette opened in transit, revealing the money.

Casey denied sending money and the Millses denied receiving any.

Casey filed a \$6.9 million lawsuit against Emery, contending the company had defamed her.

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The view's changed for Gary Hunter

By STEVE CRUMP
Times-News sports editor

MOSCOW — The view is a lot different from Gary Hunter's new office, and it's not just that the wheat fields of Kansas have been replaced by the Palouse.

Three months ago, Hunter was sitting in an office in Lawrence, Kansas, an associate athletic director at the University of Kansas helping decide how to spend the revenue from the Jayhawks' national basketball championship. At Idaho, his concerns are the opposite.

"The challenge here is almost the same challenge that almost all the athletic directors with the exception of the top 20 or 30 schools in the country (face), and that's money," said the 44-year-old Hunter, who replaced Bill Belknap as Idaho athletic director on July 1. "We just absolutely do not have enough funds to adequately fund each and every sport and each and every sub-unit or department in our athletic department — to make it as successful as I would like it to be. We obviously are in a sparsely populated state, meaning that we don't have huge numbers of alumni or tremendous numbers of financial supporters, nor are we able to sell out crowds. That's not unlike a problem at every other institution in every state in this country."

But Hunter, who practiced law for 16 years before becoming Kansas' director of athletics of administration in 1985, said he took the Idaho job because he thinks the program has potential for growth.

"I was contacted by the commissioner of the Big Eight Conference, Carl James," he said. "Carl said, 'Gary, I know what you're looking for. You want to be associated with a

first-class academic institution, hopefully in a beautiful part of the country that has had a successful or has the potential to have a successful athletic department and whose administration from the president, faculty and staff on down understands the importance of a good, solid, sound athletic department to the university.' He said there's one available and he said the University of Idaho."

"So I talked to a number of people," Hunter continued. "Ron Stevenson, (commissioner) of the Big Sky, a number of coaches who had been in an out as coaches in the past as well as coaches who competed in the Big Sky against Idaho. I talked to a number of people academically that knew about Idaho, and I decided to submit a resume. I did and was invited to interview. Now I'm the A.D."

Hunter inherited a program that has had considerable success on the playing surface of the Kibbie Dome and considerably less in the stands. Deficits have been the rule in the UI athletic department, even in years when Vandal football teams have advanced to the NCAA Division I-AA football playoffs, as they did in 1985 and 1987. Part of the problem is geography; the university is isolated, from the state's population centers, far from a major television market and next door to an NCAA Division I-A program, Washington State. Moreover, it shares the same recruiting territory as WSU, Eastern Washington, Boise State, Montana and the University of Washington.

"I think we've got a tremendous amount going for us (here)," said Hunter. "First of all, we're an extremely sound, solid academic institution. We're in a beautiful location. Moscow, Idaho, is a great place to



University of Idaho athletic director Gary Hunter golfs at a Clear Lake Country Club fundraiser in Buhl last month

live and the University of Idaho is on a beautiful campus. We're extremely competitive right now in football and basketball. We have the defending Big Sky champions in football. (Potential athletic recruits) could play for a winner. You have the opportunity to go into postseason championship play. Win the Big Sky basketball tournament, and you're an automatic winner. We have a number of things that we can be very proud of

and a number of things that we can chant about with a youngster and his parents and say this is a good place to go to school."

The nine-team Big Sky Conference is composed of three comparatively wealthy schools — Boise State, Nevada-Reno and Weber State, all located in metropolitan areas — and six that aren't, including Idaho and Idaho State.

"Well, of course, I'm very familiar

with the Big Eight Conference and we obviously have Oklahoma and Nebraska who are extremely successful on the football field and the other six institutions almost never compete for the championship," Hunter said. "On the other hand, basketball is extremely competitive throughout the Big Eight. So I am familiar with quote-unquote 'have have note.' There is that possibility (in the Big Sky Conference). Boise

State, as an example, has a substantially larger budget than the University of Idaho. They are in the largest city of Idaho. A number of corporate headquarters are in Boise. They are able, I think, to generate more revenue from ticket sales and from the local community in the way of financial support. But I don't think that in the foreseeable future we'll see a strong have-have-not (situation)."

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Four Vandal players face theft charges

COLFAX, Wash. (AP) — Misdemeanor charges have been filed against four University of Idaho football players by the Whitman County prosecutor's office.

The four players named in complaints filed Tuesday were Marvin Washington, Steve Nolan, Richard Carey and Kord Smith.

They were arrested Aug. 28 at Pullman, Wash., by Washington State University police for allegedly attempting to steal four mountain bikes from Orton Hall on the WSU campus.

A hearing on the case is scheduled for Sept. 22.

Whitman County Prosecutor Ron Shirley said the maximum sentence for each charge is a \$5,000 fine and one year in jail.

If the four enter guilty pleas, Shirley said he would ask the judge at the hearing to suspend all jail time except for 30 days and place them on probation for the remaining time.

Boise State takes acid test at Flagstaff

By STEVE CRUMP
Times-News sports editor

More Big Sky — D3

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. — The trial balloon that has been the Boise State University football preseason will land here Saturday night, either with a bang or a crash.

"There's no question this is going to be a real test for us," said second-year Bronco Coach Skip Hall. "Northern Arizona is a team that plays 19 juniors and seniors. We play 14 sophomores and freshmen."

The Broncos are 2-0, coming off a 29-14 victory over Long Beach State two weeks ago and a 14-10 win over Sam Houston State last week that answered some questions and left a lot more. Boise State is getting a lot of mileage with defense, but how good have the opposing offenses been? The Bronco offense has been inconsistent, but is that a matter of inexperience or quality? Can Boise State, outscored by a 2-1 margin in the fourth quarter last season, win games in the final period when there's something on the line?

There could be a Big Sky Conference championship at stake in Saturday's game, scheduled for 8 p.m. MDT in the Walkup Skydome. The game

will be broadcast on Boise radio station KBOL-AM, which can be heard after sunset in the western third of the Magic Valley. No Magic Valley station is carrying the BSU games this year.

Northern Arizona is 2-0, including a 34-24 league-opening victory over Eastern Washington here a week ago. If Boise State flies out of Flagstaff empty-handed, headed for a road game at Eastern Washington next week and a home encounter with Weber State the week after, it could be a very long season. If, on the other hand, the Broncos pin a home loss on the 'Axers in mid-September, the Lumberjacks, will be facing successive visits to Idaho, Nevada-Reno and Montana in October with a 1-1 record to start with.

"It's a big game for both teams, and I think one that will tell us a lot about ourselves and the rest of the conference," says Hall. "Our defense and our kicking game have been outstanding, but our offense hasn't been consistent. We need to prove we can play with a tough, quick team like Northern Arizona."

The 'Axers are so far the best offensive team in the Big Sky, generating an average of 437 yards a game. Northern Arizona leads the league in rushing offense (219 yards) and scoring offense (an average of 44.5 points per game) and ranks fourth in passing offense (218.5 yards). Sophomore running back Lavon Worley has run for 223 yards in two games, second-best in the Big Sky, while teammate Charles Matthews, a senior, is averaging 54 yards a game. Junior quarterback Greg Wyatt has completed 65 percent of his passes for 348 yards and three touchdowns, while fullback David Lang has caught 10 balls for 75 yards.

"They've got great offensive balance," says Hall. "Their signal-caller is one of the best in conference and they have a lot of players who are playing with the confidence that comes with experience."

Defensively, NAU isn't far behind, ranking third in the Big Sky in total defense and first in pass defense.

"It's a very active group, not as big or as physical as Sam Houston State, but a very mobile group," says Hall. "That's certainly a concern for us because we have a young offensive line."

People see the size of our offensive line, guys 6-4, 275, but they forget there's only one returning starter there, along with three sophomores and a junior — guys who have never played together until this year. They're going up against defensive lines that are stunting and blitzing and dogging. If your timing is off a fraction of a second, you're going to get beat."

The Broncos' offense, the best in the league last year, currently ranks eighth and sophomore quarterback Duane Halliday is last in the Big Sky in passing efficiency.

"We've got to establish some consistency," says Hall. "We're making a big play or two and then bogging down. What we need to do is to establish a ball-control offense and eliminate the turnovers."

Defensively, Hall has no complaints. The Broncos rank second in the league in total defense and first in scoring defense.

"The exciting thing to me is how well we're playing defensively with so many young players," says Hall. "But they've been carrying us so far. We've got to take some pressure off the defense."

The morning line

Good morning. It's Thursday, Sept. 15.

Thursday's scores

Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Boston 4, Baltimore 3
Toronto 3, Detroit 2
New York 7, Cleveland 5
Milwaukee 4, Chicago 2
Kansas City 4, California 2
Seattle 2, Minnesota 0
Texas 9, Oakland 0

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Houston 7, Cincinnati 1
Pittsburgh 4, Montreal 1, 12 innings
New York 3, Chicago 1
Philadelphia 9, St. Louis 2
San Francisco 6, San Diego 5
Los Angeles 1, Atlanta 0

Hunter

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There are very few repeat champions in any sport in the Big Sky, and it's very competitive now, from top to bottom, and I think we will have to keep a very close eye on retaining that competitiveness and I think we all know that a solid — totally solid — conference is healthy for all of us.

Boise State and Nevada-Reno have made no secret of their aspirations to leave the Big Sky eventually and move up to Division I-A, which leaves Idaho — which was once a member of the Pacific Coast Conference along with UCLA, USC and Stanford — in an awkward position.

"Obviously, Boise is in a position where, because of their being located in a large population base in the state of Idaho, they have maybe in the future an opportunity to go Division I-A," Hunter said. "I would very much like to think that Boise State would want to stay in the Big Sky. They're very competitive. I think it's an excellent conference, but I also understand that they may have aspirations to go straight into Division I-A. At the present time, I don't know whether Idaho is in a position to aspire to Division I status. I'm going to conduct a long-range plan, or institute a long-range plan, this month in which I will form a committee of boosters, faculty and students and we are going to assess all the strengths and weaknesses in our athletic department and come up with a five-year plan and it could well be that we will address the issue of can we grow at a rate fast enough and big enough to become Division I or should we strive to be an extremely competitive Division I-AA school and Division I basketball power."

Hunter recognizes the opposite is also possible: a cost-conscious conference decision or Idaho State Board of Education directive to drop the three Idaho schools, or at least Idaho and Idaho State, to NCAA Division II status.

"I would be extremely disappointed at this point," he said. "I think we have much too much potential in the Big Sky to be considering Division II. I think we've got to consider being the strongest division in I-AA football and be much more competitive in Division I basketball. I think we can do that. Boise State had great success last year (in basketball), defeated by Michigan (in the first round of the NCAA tournament) at the end of the game; I believe by three points. And a Big Sky school has consistently gone deep in the I-AA football playoffs in the last several years. I'm confident that we can not only stay where we are, but get bigger."

To do that, Hunter will be looking for new revenue sources, including doing more to tap the only major media markets available to the U of I: Boise and Spokane, Wash.

"We're looking at the possibility of some cable hook-ups and some other opportunities to give other people the opportunity to watch us on television," said Hunter. "That is a big problem. The Big Sky does not benefit from a large media base. For that reason, we do not get a lot of national coverage. We need to do more to get more coverage."

The Big Sky gets national television exposure once a year, during the first round of the NCAA Division I basketball tournament, due to the conference's automatic berth. That's also a major source of revenue for the Big Sky member schools, and one which is under pressure.

Many NCAA Division I athletic directors have argued that leagues like the Big Sky, which rarely advance beyond the first round of the NCAA tournament, should not have an automatic berth in the tournament.

The NCAA has decided not to change the present playoff system for the next few years, so the Big Sky is in no danger of losing its automatic berth at the moment," said Hunter. "Losing that conference income would hurt. It's a belief, \$25,000 we received last year for Boise State going to the (NCAA) tournament. If you continue to lose that, that substantially impacts your ability to fund your non-revenue programs."

Hunter views his primary mandate at Idaho to produce exciting, competitive teams — but not always conference champions.

"I think you have to be entertaining," he said. "I think you have to, and most obviously it is most entertaining to your fans, if you are winning. But if you are not winning all your games, at least you're being competitive, exciting and thrilling. That is important. If you're getting beat 3-0 and you only win three games a year, then you're in trouble."

"I think if you win six games and lose five, but you are in those five games that end, you're throwing a lot of passes, you're exciting, if you've got an exciting running game," he said. "I think folks will go to the games if they think you've got a chance. The problem comes when you're not competitive."

Yanks, trailing by 4 1/2 games, come calling on Sox tonight

BOSTON (AP) — After taking batting practice, Boston's Mike Greenwell told teammates he was "going to have a big night."

Then he made good on his prediction Wednesday night by hitting for the cycle as the Red Sox completed a three-game series sweep with a 4-3 victory over the Baltimore Orioles to maintain their 4 1/2-game lead in the American League East.

"This is something you dream about and do to it to help a win in a pennant race is a great feeling," Greenwell said after becoming the 17th Boston player in history to hit for the cycle. Rich Gedman was the last to do it on Sept. 18, 1985.

The Red Sox, who have won eight of their last 10, are 4 1/2 games ahead of New York and 5 1/2 in front of fading Detroit. The Yankees begin a four-game series at Fenway Park on Thursday night.

"It's been tough to keep our concentration with everyone talking about the Yankees and the big series," Greenwell said. "But we had to beat the Orioles and we did. Now we've got the Yankees coming in, so let's beat the Yankees."

Greenwell, with three hits in his previous 16 at-bats, went 4-for-4 against Jose Bautista, 6-14. Greenwell hit his 21st homer in the second, lined a double to right and scored in the fourth, got a gift triple on a towering wind-blown fly to deep left-center and scored in the sixth, and then singled to right in the eighth.

"When I went up there the last time, I was hoping for any kind of a blop hit," he said. "It turned out to be a broken bat loop and it's the greatest feeling I've ever had."

"The single was the caper, the best hit I had all night. Hitting the cycle is my top accomplishment so far. It's a dream come true. He only other time I've done it was when I was a freshman in high school, so it's been a long, long time."

The crowd of 32,745 gave Greenwell a standing ovation when he singled to right, completing the cycle. It was Boston's 49th consecutive crowd of more than 30,000 at Fenway Park.

Asked about the series with the Yankees, Boston manager Joe Morgan said, "I don't really get that excited. Not maybe when the game starts, but only after that. The rivalry is for the fans."

Mike Boddicker, traded by the Orioles to Boston on July 29, faced his former club for the first time. Boddicker, 12-15 overall but 6-3 for Boston, pitched seven strong innings. He gave up six hits and three runs, two of them earned, while striking out five and walking two.

Dennis Lamp pitched the eighth and Lee Smith worked the ninth for his 26th save.

Baltimore had tied it 3 in the fifth, aided by second baseman Marty

Baseball

Barrett's error, Boston's first miscue in nine games. Brady Anderson, sent to the Orioles in the trade for Boddicker, hit a double and advanced on Barrett's error before Eddie Murray had a sacrifice fly.

Greenwell got a gift triple when his fly ball was misjudged by left fielder Larry Sheets on the warning track. Ellis Burks followed with a sacrifice fly that put Boston ahead 4-3.

N.Y. Yankees 7 Cleveland 5

CLEVELAND (AP) — Dave Winfield hit a three-run home run to tie Roger Maris for seventh place on New York's career home list and the Yankees beat the Cleveland Indians 7-5 to stay close in the American League East.

The Yankees won for the sixth time in seven games and remained 4 1/2 games behind division-leading Boston. New York begins a four-game series in Boston on Thursday night.

Rich Dotson, 10-9, ended a five-game losing streak with his first victory since Aug. 7. The Yankees started him to an early 6-1 lead and he gave up four runs on four hits in 5 1/2 innings. Dale Mahorrie pitched 3 1/2 scoreless innings for his sixth save.

Claude Washington and Don Mattingly hit consecutive one-out singles in the first inning and Winfield homered to center off Rich Yetz, 8-6. It was Winfield's 25th of the year and his 203rd as a Yankee, tying him with Maris. Winfield has 357 homers in his career with the Yankees and San Diego.

New York scored three more in the fourth. Jack Clark walked and scored on a double by Mike Pagliaro, who took third on a fly to center and scored on a suicide squeeze bunt by Joel Skinner. Skinner moved to third on a single by Rafael Santana and scored on Rickey Henderson's double off reliever Brad Havens.

Henderson walked, stole second, went to third on a groundout and scored on Mattingly's sacrifice fly in the sixth for a 6-1 edge.

Toronto 3 Detroit 2

TORONTO (AP) — George Bell singled home the go-ahead run in the eighth inning Wednesday night and sent the Toronto Blue Jays over slumping Detroit 3-2, pushing the Tigers farther back in the American League East.

Detroit lost for the 19th time in 23 games and fell 5 1/2 games behind first place Boston. The Tigers led the division by four games before their slide.

With the score tied at 1, Manny Lee

started the Toronto eighth with a leadoff walk from Walt Terrell, 7-14. Tony Fernandez singled and Rance Mulliniks walked to load the bases.

Guillermo Hernandez relieved Terrell and struck out Fred McGriff, but Bell met Mike Henneman with an RBI single. With two outs, Henneman threw a wild pitch that allowed Fernandez.

Duane Ward, 9-2, the third Toronto pitcher picked up the victory.

Milwaukee 4 Chisox 2

CHICAGO (AP) — Rob Deer and Robin Yount each drove in two runs Wednesday night and the Milwaukee Brewers kept their slim American League East hopes alive with a 4-2 victory over the Chicago White Sox.

Milwaukee won for the 11th time in 14 games and remained 5 1/2 games behind division-leading Boston. The Brewers have just 15 games left and have lost seven more than the Red Sox.

N.Y. Mets 3 Chicago 1

NEW YORK (AP) — Sid Fernandez and Roger McDowell combined on a four-hitter and the New York Mets beat the Chicago Cubs 3-1 Wednesday night for their sixth victory in seven games.

Fernandez, 9-10, pitched seven innings before being taken out because of soreness in his left knee. He gave up three hits, struck out eight and walked three in beating the Cubs for the first time in four starts this year.

Pittsburgh 4 Montreal 1

MONTREAL (AP) — Bobby Bonilla hit a three-run homer in the 12th inning, his first home run since Aug. 14, giving the Pittsburgh Pirates a 4-1 victory over the Montreal Expos Wednesday night.

Philadelphia 9 St. Louis 2

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Bob Sebra won for the first time since July 12, 1987 and Lance Parrish hit a two-run homer Wednesday night as the Philadelphia Phillies beat the St. Louis Cardinals 9-2.

Houston 3 Cincinnati 1

CINCINNATI (AP) — Nolan Ryan pitched a four-hitter and Rafael Ramirez drove in four runs with a double and a homer off Danny Jackson Wednesday night, leading the Houston Astros past the Cincinnati Reds 7-1.

Pocattello moves atop A-1 Division I ratings in AP prep poll

By The Associated Press

Pocattello, which had never appeared in the Associated Press' Class A-1 Division I rankings until last week, moved to the top of the state big-school high school football ratings this week.

The 3-0 Indians, under the tutelage this year for former Idaho State University coach Jim Koetter, got eight of 10 first-place votes this week and 44 of a possible 50 points to edge Boise, 2-1, dropped to fifth this week, just behind Coeur d'Alene; 2-1.

In Class A-1 Division II, 3-0 Idaho Falls received nine of 10 first-place votes and 49 of a possible 50 points to remain ahead of Moscow (3-0). Sandpoint (3-0) and Caldwell (3-0). Blackfoot, 2-1, moved into the rankings in the No. 5 spot, supplanting Skyline of Idaho Falls, which the Broncos beat 21-17 last week.

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Prep football

rival Highland, 2-1, which lost 35-34 last weekend to Idaho Falls. The Rams dropped to the second spot this week just behind Boise, which moved up from fourth to second after beating last week's second-ranked team, Meridian, 14-10 last week. The Warriors, 2-1, dropped to fifth this week, just behind Coeur d'Alene; 2-1.

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lowed by Weiser, 2-1; Bishop Kelly of Boise, 2-1, moved up from fourth to third in the rankings where Lakeland of Rathrum (2-1) and Vallive of Caldwell (2-1) moved into a tie for fourth place. Buhl, ranked fifth, fell from the ratings after losing last weekend.

In A-3, unbeaten Homedale stayed on top with a 2-0 record, followed again by Grangeville (3-0). Fruitland (3-0), Tonon of Driggs (3-0) and Sugar-Salem (1-2). Firih (3-0), moved into a tie with Sugar-Salem for fifth place.

In A-4, Rimrock, 3-0, retained the No. 1 spot, followed by Oakley, 2-1, which moved up from third to second after beating last week's No. 2 team, Hansen, Wilder, 3-0, advanced from fourth to third and Mackay, 2-1, moved up from fifth to fourth, followed by Hansen, 2-1.

In eight-man, Garden Valley, 3-0, got all the first-place votes, followed

Secret of E. German success is E. Germany

By RANDY HARVEY
Los Angeles Times

BERLIN — During a recent tour by sports journalists through East Germany's so-called miracle machine, the hosts protested so often that they have no secrets that one couldn't help but wonder what they were hiding.

The journalists' skepticism was no more noticeable than, say, the wall that runs between East and West Berlin, but the East Germans seemed not at all offended by it. On the contrary, they were amused.

One of those who had fun at the journalists' expense was Dr. Karl-Heinz Bauersfeld, director for scientific development at the legendary German College for Physical Culture in Leipzig, East Germany. The College is a graduate school for coaches and professors, they are regarded as the brains behind East Germany's brawn.

"The majority of our visitors are extremely surprised," he said after the journalists returned from a tour of sports facilities at the college, facilities that would not impress many U.S. athletes. "There are quite a number of them who think we show them only 50 percent of the college. Some people think there is another college underground."

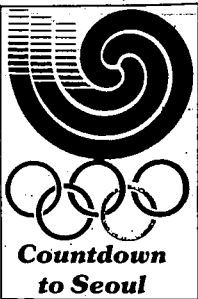
"You can rest assured that you can go to the basement if you want to."

Those who accepted the invitation found only restrooms. They should have known after the earlier stages of the five-day, four-city tour, that the East Germans weren't going to disclose advancements they may have made through drugs, blood doping, robotics, genetic recombination, cloning or any other areas of experimentation rumored to be going on in their laboratories.

Scoffing at such speculation, the East Germans insist that they don't have any more knowledge than their competitors. But, they allow, they are more successful at applying their knowledge. They do that through a sports system that is unparalleled in identifying talent at a young age and developing it to a world-class level.

Wilfried Jaeger, chairman of the Tractor Sports Club in Schwerin, noted that East Germany is a country of 42,000 square miles, roughly the size of Ohio, with a population of 16.5 million, or 7 million fewer than California. Thus, he said, the system must be efficient for the country to compete internationally.

"We have to take advantage of our talents," he said. Volker Ranke, vice president of the East German Sports and Gymnastics Union in East Berlin, said that



the government has an annual sports budget of \$660 million, about 1 percent of the national budget. But West German sports officials, who study their counterparts closely, estimate that the East German government spends closer to 10 percent of the national budget on sports.

The financial commitment to athletics has created dissension, although muffled, among East Germans, particularly workers who are aware that 8 percent of their monthly taxes go toward the sports budget. One official, who didn't want to be identified, said that he believes that the money should go toward rectifying the nation's most pressing problem, a housing shortage, or making consumer items that are taken for granted in the West, such as automobiles, more readily available.

Even the majority of those who have cars drive East German-made Trabant, which have so little power that speed traps on the Autobahn net primarily foreigners.

But no one can argue that East Germany doesn't get what it pays for: international recognition. In a country that had to develop its own identity after being separated from its western half at the end of World War II, that motivation cannot be underestimated.

From 1956 through 1964, East and West German athletes competed in the Olympics as part of a combined German team. But since 1968, when the East Germans began competing in the medal standings as a separate nation, they have moved into fourth place in the Winter Games and eighth place in the Summer Games.

Only the Soviet Union and the United States have won more medals in the last 20 years. In the 1976 Summer Games, East Germany won four more gold medals than the United States. And few would be stunned if the East Germans won more gold medals than the United States again this year in Seoul, South Korea.

Scores and Stats

Baseball

AL standings

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Boston	17	10	.630
New York	15	12	.556
Cleveland	14	13	.519
Toronto	13	14	.481
Philadelphia	12	15	.444
Chicago	11	16	.407
Los Angeles	10	17	.370
San Diego	9	18	.333
Seattle	8	19	.296
Minnesota	7	20	.259
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Kentucky

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pany mislabeled the package. He also alleged that his character was damaged and that he suffered "severe and grievous mental and emotional suffering."

An attorney representing Emery said the carrier would defend its position vigorously in court.

Mills, a 6-foot-7 forward, is enrolled at the university and is expected to be an integral part of the new team.

Manuel did not meet NCAA academic standards on earlier attempts at another college entrance exam, the SAT, at Macon, Ga., his hometown; but passed the ACT in Lexington in June 1987.

Sean Sutton, son of the UK coach, also took the test with Manuel. He had previously taken it, but said he took it again to improve his scores.

ISU opens Big Sky campaign by hosting nemesis Montana

By STEVE CRUMP
Times-News sports editor

POCATELLO — After being roughed up in Salt Lake City last weekend by the oversized University of Utah Utes, Idaho State's football team gets a true test of itself here Saturday.

The Bengals, 3-6, a year ago and 0-1 this year following a 46-16 loss in their season opener at Utah last week, will host 2-0 Montana in both teams' Big Sky Conference opener.

"I'm frustrated and came out of the (Utah) game with mixed feelings," said ISU Coach Garth Hall, in his first season at Pocatello. "We did some good things, but we didn't make the plays we should have. We gave up the big plays, and in win games we've got to make the big plays, not mistakes. We had some key penalties and we lost two fumbles which led to scores and gave them momentum. On the positive side, we played hard and with emotion most of the time. It was a start for us, but we were hoping for better."

Better might not be easier Saturday. The Grizzlies beat ISU 63-0 in Missoula, Mont., last season. Two years ago they beat ISU twice by a combined score of 95-44.

"It's not going to be 63-0 this time, I tell you that," said Montana Coach Don Read, who presided over all three of those routs. "Idaho State is a veteran football team. Their kids have been there before and they've had success. They'll be motivated."

College football

Kickoff time is 7:30 p.m. in Holt Arena. ISU games are not being broadcast in the Magic Valley this year.

"I don't think last year's game will have quite the effect on us it might have with a new coaching staff and over half our players new to the program," said Hall. "I've always felt that the Montana game will be one of the toughest on our schedule. They are much improved and their scheduling puts them further along. They have two wins and their confidence factor will be high, and we're a week behind them anyway. We've got some things that need to be patched up and playing them at this point in the season will be a real challenge for our program."

The Grizzlies have, statistically, the Big Sky's toughest defense, giving up an averaging of just 197 yards and only two touchdowns this season. Junior inside linebacker Mike Rankin was the preseason Big Sky defensive player of the year.

But Montana's outstanding attribute is probably its special teams. The Grizzlies blocked three South Dakota State punts last week, two of them by strong safety Tim Hauck, and both were recovered for touchdowns. Moreover, Montana leads the Big Sky in net punting.

"Montana had excellent special teams last year and they obviously

continue to do a good job in that area," said Hall. "Our special teams have to improve to meet the challenge. Montana's special teams present."

What the Grizzlies don't have is their starting quarterback. Sophomore Scott Waak suffered a concussion against South Dakota State last week and spent the night in the hospital. Sophomore quarterback Grady Bennett, who hasn't taken a snap from center at Montana, is the scheduled starter.

That's a break for Bengals, who coughed up 511 yards against Utah last week.

"We've got to eliminate mistakes," said Hall, whose secondary was burned four times against the Utes last week. "We're still making too many of them, and most of them are the mistakes that come with inexperience and unfamiliarity with the system and with each other. But for us to be a better football team, our veterans must play better. Our young players are giving a good effort."

ISU generated 347 yards total offense against Utah, a team that allowed just 325 yards a game, on the average, last year. The Bengals' two new running backs, junior college transfers McArthur Brinson and Guy Ebanex, had 95 yards and 96 yards of offense, respectively. But sophomore quarterback Jason Whitmer, a returning starter, completed only 24 of 49 passes for 230 yards and didn't throw a touchdown pass.

Big Sky standings, stats

Standings

Big Sky Conference

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Idaho pays call on UOP Saturday

By The Times-News

STOCKTON, Calif. — The University of Idaho Vandals encounter their only NCAA Division I-A opponent of the season here Saturday night when they visit Pacific.

The Tigers of the Big West Conference — formerly the PCAA — will be playing their home opener after lap-sided road losses to Arkansas (63-14) and California (30-7). Idaho opened last weekend with a 27-18 victory over Portland State, a Division II team.

"Did that look like a first game for Idaho or what?" said Vandals Coach Keith Gilbertson. "We looked like a team playing its first game. Those are things I was talking about for two weeks about us not having a game and them having a game. It really gave them an edge, I think. For the most part, I'm just pleased we're 1-0."

Kickoff time Saturday is 7:30 p.m. MDT in Pacific's Memorial Stadium. KEJZ-AM in Twin Falls and KBAR-AM in Burley will broadcast the game live.

Gilbertson was upset with the performance of the Vandals' offense against the Vikings, a team it out-sized across the offensive front by an average of 25 pounds. Junior quarterback John Friesz completed just 18 of 39 passes for 283 yards and three touchdowns, and was intercepted twice.

"That was by no means one of John Friesz's better games — at all," said Gilbertson. "He was off, not much, but he was off. He's a good player; he'll get sharp again."

BSU's Helgeson honored as BSC player of week

BOISE (AP) — University of Nevada-Reno quarterback Jim Zachco, Boise State defensive end Erik Helgeson and Montana strong safety Tim Hauck are the Big Sky Conference football players of the week.

Zachco earned the award on offense while Helgeson and Hauck share this week's honor on defense, said Big Sky Commissioner Ron Stephenson.

Zachco, a 6-10, 175-pound senior from San Jose, Calif., hit 16 of 23 passes for 201 yards and four touchdowns in Nevada-Reno's opening-season victory over Northwestern State of Louisiana, 35-26 in Reno. Zachco's TD passes covered 7, 8, 11, and 18 yards as the Wolf Pack built up a 35-7 lead before he sat down early in the fourth quarter.

Helgeson, a 6-2, 229-pound sophomore from Boise, was in on 12 total tackles, including five unassisted stops in Boise State's 14-10 victory over Sam Houston State. Helgeson was a major reason why Boise State limited the visiting Bearcats to 278 yards total offense. He was credited with five unassisted tackles including two quarterback sacks for 22 yards in losses and deflected a pass.

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Survival kit could make the difference

Nature can be a most pleasant companion to the sportsman, but it can also be a very formidable, unrelenting foe.

In my college days I spent the summer months building trails for the Forest Service. Those late August days could be very warm, so it was not uncommon to see hikers on the trail in nothing but shorts and a T-shirt. I am sure few of them realized how much the weather could change at 10,000 feet in the Sawtooth Mountains and most were fortunate enough not to find out first hand.



David Hocklander Hunting

One group was not so lucky. The day started with clear skies and a warming sun. By noon it would surely be in the high 70s just as it had been for the past week.

But in the mountains where the horizon is blocked from view, a change in weather can occur without warning.

Three hikers passed us on the trail earlier in the day and stopped for lunch on the other side of the lake. About 5 p.m., nature pulled one of its Dr. Jekyll-Mr. Hyde tricks. The temperature dropped nearly 40 degrees in a matter of minutes and it began to blow and rain heavily.

Within an hour the campers came wandering into our camp. They were soaked and experiencing the beginning stages of hypothermia. The weather had caught them without warm clothing or rain protection. They had panicked and were heading down the mountain.

I do not know how far they would have made it, but it was seven miles to the road and protection and warmth of their vehicle.

We took them into the cook house.

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Upland birds open

Hunter success will show if adverse weather has hurt the stocks

By LARRY HOVEY Times News writer

JEROME — Sage grouse will be at center stage Saturday when the major upland bird hunting opens sweep across the Magic Valley.

By and large, Craig Kvale, Region 4 wildlife manager for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, believes this year's success should be close to last year in sage grouse and perhaps a bit better for partridge and quail.

But our concern for all upland species is that Memorial Day week-

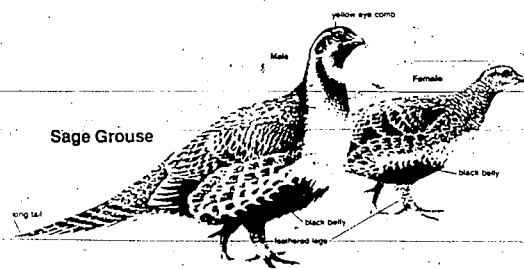
ends legal shooting only between one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

Bird hunters also are reminded a fully feathered wing or the head must be left on all harvested birds for easy identification of species and sex.

The third regulation requires that all hunters 17 years of age or older must have in their possession an Idaho upland game stamp for hunting of partridge, pheasants or quail.

Sage grouse

Magic Valley has two zones in



Sage Grouse

end when we had some snow down south and a very cold rain in the north, he said. We generally consider the Memorial Day weekend to be about the peak of the sage grouse hatch and those little chicks can't take any snow and very little rain. That could have reduced our huntable population some.

The same weather would have been a factor for the gray partridge and chukars and perhaps affected quail somewhat. But our major concern is for sage grouse, he said.

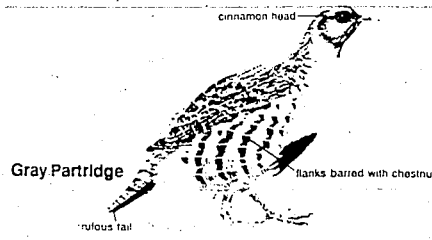
Among the general regulations hunters should be aware of is the new hunting-hour schedule which al-

which the length of season and bag limits are different.

That portion of the Magic Valley lying south of U.S. Highway 93 between Carey and Shoshone and south from Shoshone along 93 to its junction with Interstate 84 and west along I-84 to Pocatello is the more liberal zone.

Bag limit is three birds with six in possession after the first day. The season runs from Saturday through Oct. 9.

The rest of the Magic Valley, with the exception of the Elmore County closure, will run from Saturday through Oct. 2 with two birds daily



Gray Partridge

flanks barred with chestnut cinnamon head rufous tail

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limit and four in possession after the first day.

The Elmore County closure largely is a Region 3 administrative decision and affects the northwest edge of Magic Valley west of King Hill Creek and the Camas Prairie. However, that portion of Camas County within the Camas Creek drainage is open with a two-bird limit through Oct. 2 dates.

For the fifth straight year, it appears that Magic Valley sage grouse production may have beaten the 10-year average — discounting the Memorial Day weekend weather.

Spring lek trend counts showed the average male on the strutting grounds stood at 25.7 per lek against 25.0 last year, 19.5 in 1986 and 19.8 for the 10-year average.

This year the department began some broad routes but since there is previous data for comparison, Kvale said our impression is that the numbers are very similar to what our officers were seeing last year.

Kvale said since 1983 the region has enjoyed production above the long-term average, those figures substantiated by wing studies.

The 10-year average has indicated production at 170 chicks per 100 hens going into the hunting season. From 1983 through 1986 this average jumped to 200 chicks per 100 hens. In 1987, that dropped to 142, making that the first dip in production in five years.

The department will again have 10 checking stations in operation plus wing collection barrels on more remote access routes. The data gleaned from the wings taken this fall will provide the final success ratio of the 1988 production year.

Hunters using the Split Butte area in Minidoka County for grouse are reminded that a remnant population of sharp-tail grouse might be seen. They are protected. Although the habitat is considered marginal, the department would like to keep the species in the area.

Partridge

Because gray (formerly Hungarian) partridge can be part of the roadside surveys conducted on agricultural areas, the department has a pretty good feel of those population trends. Chukars are in remote areas and except for some sightings during big game counts, etc., hunter reports usually are the best census gauges.

Based on a dozen roadside routes this year, the gray partridge showed up at the rate of 18 birds per mile against 24 last year. However, broods were recorded at .44 per 20 miles this year against .45 last year. This year's broods were seen on 50 percent of the routes compared to 51 percent last year, leading Kvale to surmise that the gray populations should be very similar to last year.

Two mild winters in a row should have helped our chukars — depending on whether that Memorial Day weather got into the canyons, he said. Going by sightings we believe the King Hill area birds are bouncing back and we are getting excellent re-

ports on numbers from the Boise area north to Lewiston. Our larger populations are still in the southwest corner of the region on the Jarbidge and in Owyhee County. But we feel the others are all coming back.

The partridge season runs from Sept. 17 through Dec. 31 and hunters may take eight chukars and eight grays per day with 16 of each in possession after the first day. However, Kvale emphasized that is not 16 partridge in aggregate per day. It must be eight of each species.

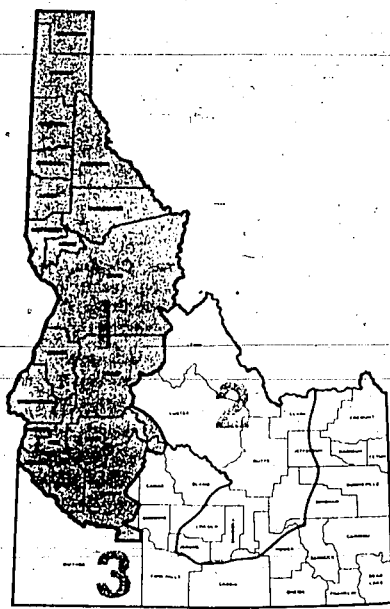
Quail

Again because of two mild winters we feel that quail populations should be up if we had any luck at all during the hatch this year, Kvale said.

He noted only California and bobwhite quail seasons are open in Magic Valley. Gambel and Mountain quail are closed, although the region has very few of those species.

The season runs from Saturday through Dec. 31 with a daily bag lim-

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Potential Shoshone claims hang over F&G plans

By LARRY HOVEY Times News writer

TWIN FALLS — The complications of a possible claim by the Western Shoshone Tribes for off-reservation hunting rights in southern Twin Falls and Cassia counties prevent any state agency from taking an official position, according to one state official.

Carl Nellis, Region 4 supervisor for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, told Twin Falls Fish and Game Conservation, Inc., Tuesday night the department's been contacted only informally by two members of the tribe and until something official is filed somewhere, that will be where the situation sits.

The informal contact with Fish & Game indicates the tribe is pondering a claim to hunting and fishing rights from the Snake River south to the Nevada border with the Raft and Bruncan rivers as the eastern and

western boundaries, respectively. Nellis received the Western Shoshone's claim to 22 million acres of land in Nevada and another two million in California.

He said the controversy officially began when the Shoshones claimed ownership of that portion of Nevada on the basis that the United States had violated its 1863 treaty with the tribe by placing it on its own reservation within its traditional and historical hunting range. In 1967, a judgment is ruled in the U.S. government paying the tribe \$26 million. But seven years later, under new legal council, the tribe filed an amended claim saying the payment covered only one-half of the area concerned and, coupled with the lack of a reservation within its aboriginal hunting territory, pressed an additional claim for ownership.

That litigation currently is proceeding slowly. In the meantime, the tribe succeeded in obtaining an injunction from a federal

court that prohibits the Nevada Wildlife Commission from enforcing any state laws on tribe members.

A three-man tribal commission handles the conservation aspects of the hunting and is expected to report all game taken every six months to Nevada Department of Wildlife. Individual hunters have seven days from the time of kill to make their report to the tribe.

The tribe is prescribed from hunting on privately owned, fenced property or posted lands. Bighorn sheep, mountain goats and elk are not included in aboriginal harvest rights.

The tribal commission also prohibits the sale of edible portions of game (which therefore allows trapping). Hunting must result from needed subsistence and no hunting for sport is allowed.

Penalties range to a maximum of 3 months in jail and \$300 fines and loss of privileges.

Nellis said Nevada chose to negotiate an agreement with the tribe rather than take the

possible all-or-nothing of litigation.

"Nellis said he wouldn't hazard any kind of guess of what the state reaction will be if the formal application is received.

"If that petition comes, once the state makes up its mind, I won't be the one talking to you," Nellis said with a smile.

In response to questions, Nellis said it remains far too early to speculate on how the department would react in administering the South Hills hunting units.

"We couldn't make any assessments until we can evaluate the amount of Indian hunting pressure and Indian harvest," he said. "It is possible that if a limited number of Indians hunted the area, we could manage the herds to accommodate aboriginal and non-Indian hunters alike, each getting a share. But if it became a matter of a great many hunters, then I suppose you would see the commission directing the department to transfer its efforts elsewhere."

"Specifically, we are referring to this material to the Nevada Shoshone who encompass three-fourths of the state (of Nevada) since time and the signing of the peace treaty of 1863. An unusual feature of the treaty is the condition providing explicitly that reservations for their use would be established in their own country.

"Stipulations of this provision allowed Chief Te-moak and other treaty signers that this would be done within the defined area. The fact that the Western Shoshone have remained scattered widely within that traditional area is evidence that we

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Easterner bags his \$68,000 sheep

The Associated Press

BOISE — The sum of \$68,000 will buy a nice three-bedroom home here, a 911 Porsche Carrera, or about 3,830 pounds of Australian lobster.

For stocky, gray-bearded Robert Senter, 50, it bought a chance to bag an Idaho Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep. He did so Sept. 7.

It was well worth it, said Senter. He outbid five other hunters in February to get the first Idaho bighorn sheep tag at auction.

He showed off the animal's horns and skull here Friday at a state Fish and Game Department office.

He said the steep price tag on the permit was okay, because the money went to the right place.

That place was Idaho Fish and Game, which plans to use the money to transplant up to 90 bighorn sheep to four sites around the state. Some of the funds also will be used to study diseases that affect the sheep.

Idaho was one of several Western states to auction a bighorn tag at a convention in Reno, Nev., of the Foundation for North American Wild Sheep. Montana auctioned a tag for \$98,000.

The sole purpose of Idaho's auction is to create a steady source of funding for increasing the state's bighorn population, said Lloyd Oldenburg of Fish and Game's wildlife bureau. In the past, the department has had to rely on the Legislature.

Senter, of Plaisant, N.H., shot an 8 1/2-year-old, 350-pound bighorn that lived up to its name with a set of

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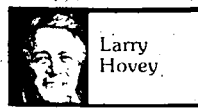
Complications abound in off-reservation claims

Continuing the discussion of the possible claim of the Western Shoshone Band to pursue off-reservation hunting rights in southern Twin Falls and Cassia Counties.

We are in receipt of a letter and pamphlet discussing Ruby Valley Treaty Days from Larry Piffero, a resident of Elko, Nev., and a member of the Shoshone Elders Council.

Piffero said the council is sponsoring a three-day meeting in the Ruby Valley on the North ranch Oct. 1-3 to emphasize better understanding by non-Indians to the history, traditions and lore of the Western Shoshone.

In reading the following quotations from a treaty days pamphlet, try to understand the enormous complexities that make courts such fun for lawyers.



Larry Hovey

For instance, you will see that for administrative purposes the U.S. arbitrarily appears to have severed the Western Shoshone Band from the overall Shoshone nation making it a separate entity unto itself but still part of the overall nation.

Understand the ramifications of the western tribe being placed on the Duck Valley Reservation in Oregon when the 1863 treaty specifies its own reservation within historic and traditional hunting grounds. The whole thing is fraught with

such debatable items "if one accepts the current position that U.S.-Indian treaties cannot be abrogated.

But as American history has shown, treaty busting of one kind or another is always in season and rides the vagaries to whom.

The pamphlet outlines the agenda, purpose and history of the Ruby Valley Treaty Days celebration. A history of the Western Shoshone claims is included. In part, this Western Shoshone position paper says:

"Since the rapid encroachment of the whites and the push of European civilization throughout Shoshone territory in the early 1800s, the United States and its intruders recognized that agreements with the Shoshone had to be made.

The main intent and purpose of the negotiations is to provide safe passage for the whites, authorize settlements, protect its citizens and to maintain peace with the Shoshone. It also reserved the rights to hunt, fish and roam within their territory until such time as the president of the U.S. deemed it necessary to create reservations of their own.

"In 1863, several events took place which would change the life of the Shoshone people forever.

"Under the authority of the U.S. treaty commissioners James W. Ney, governor of Nevada Territory, and James Duane Doty, governor of Utah Territory, officially designated Nevada Shoshone and distinguished them from the Goshute Shoshone. Northwestern Shoshone and other Shoshone living in Idaho, Utah and other parts of the Shoshone group.

Briefly

2nd depredation hunt winding up

JEROME — A second depredation hunt currently is underway on a portion of the Camas Prairie but will be completed before the opening of the sage grouse season Saturday.

Craig Kvale, Region 4 wildlife manager, said the depredation hunt is being used to thin the ranks of deer that have become a destructive nuisance to private land and crops.

Using telephonic surveys, the department pretty well established that the original 50-permit hunt had "about 100 per cent success," Kvale said. "But with the large number of deer still being seen and after some discussion with landowners, it was decided to go with a second hunt."

Kvale said field checks turned up eight harvested deer on opening day last Saturday.

Ruffed grouse relocation halted

JEROME — Because of poor trapping conditions, a supplemental transfer of ruffed grouse from eastern Idaho to the South Hills has been halted for the year.

Craig Kvale, Region 4 wildlife manager, said he was uncertain of whether it was dry conditions or something else that has reduced 10 days of trapping in eastern Idaho to just seven birds. Last year the department was able to collect 74 in about a five-week period.

The State of Nevada is continuing its trapping operation in a wildlife exchange with Idaho but its success, too, is dropping off.

"If the Nevada trapping should pick up in the next week to 10 days, then perhaps we will go back in with our traps," Kvale said.

"This is really disappointing because it's best to have back-to-back plantings to establish a good production base. The loss of supplemental birds this year could set the entire program back."

F&G revises pintail regulations

BOISE — Using a telephone conference call, the Idaho Fish and Game Commission voted to change and simplify regulations for pintail harvest in the 1988-89 duck-hunting season.

The new regulations allow inclusion of one pintail of either sex in the daily bag and two in possession throughout the season.

Under the regulations as originally approved, one pintail of either sex could be taken only in the season, two males late in the season and the intervening period was closed to harvest.

The regulation change was implemented after approval was given by the U.

S. Fish and Wildlife Service which has management authority over migratory waterfowl.

Pheasants Forever selects field rep

BOISE — Pheasants Forever has selected a full-time western field representative who will live in Boise.

Dave Lockwood will represent the state of Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Utah and Colorado.

Lockwood was previously field representative for Pheasants Forever in the Midwest.

17 and up need upland stamp

BOISE — Idaho's upland game stamp is required for all hunters 17 years or older who plan to hunt pheasants, gray or chukar partridge or quail.

The stamps may be purchased for \$5.50 at license vendors and Department of Fish and Game offices.

Depredation hunt applications due

BOISE — Persons wishing to be eligible for depredation hunt drawings in 1988 and 1989 must complete the form printed on the back of the 1988 big game regulations and return it to the Department of Fish and Game postmarked no later than Sept. 30.

Depredation hunts are special hunts to relieve damage by game animals to private property.

Deer, elk and antelope have moved onto agricultural lands because of the drought and have already been hunted in depredation hunts this year, according to big game manager Lloyd Oldenburg.

The approximately 150 qualified hunters were those who submitted applications prior to the dates the hunts were authorized by the Department of Fish and Game.

Participation in a depredation hunt does not require use of a hunter's regular tag, according to Oldenburg. A special permit-tag is issued which is considered an "extra" tag.

Boise falcon chicks becoming more self-sufficient

BOISE (AP) — The four peregrine falcon chicks released last month in downtown Boise are rapidly becoming self-sufficient and soon will be heading south to warmer climates.

"Each time we see them, we think it might be the last opportunity," said Wayne Melquist, non-game wildlife

manager with the state Fish and Game Department.

As the falcons hone their hunting skills, the biologists caring for them have less to do. Handouts of quail meat will end Thursday.

"They have to stop depending on us and make their way in the world,"

on a limited number of reservations and colonies for economy of administration.

"Such a policy is documented explicitly in many treaties and executive orders and that the federal government reserves the right to place any Indians on any reservations."

"When this occurred, Western Shoshone were placed on reserves outside their aboriginal homelands and violated the terms contained in the Ruby Valley Treaty."

Through unity efforts of tribal governing bodies and the agency of the Western Shoshone National Council, progress has been made in the protection of land rights, possession of aboriginal hunting, fishing, trapping and gathering rights, intervention in construction and installation of mines, dams, power companies, nuclear test sites, chemical waste dumps and MX.

The Shoshone people are reaffirming their position as a sovereign nation and that no legal ownership was ever transferred and supports and acknowledges the treaty of 1863 as a legal and binding document.

Ratified in 1866 by the U.S. Senate and confirmed by the United States President Grant in 1869 and that all contents and provisions set forth in the treaty are still in effect.

Neither the letter nor the pamphlet discuss much in the way of Idaho claims; indeed, neither incorporated description map crossed the Idaho-Nevada line.

Larry Hovey is a sportswriter for The Times News.

Fall fishing

Low water means that boats will have limited access most places

Spent a few days gaining information on where our fall fishing could be. The following is my report.

Palisades Reservoir: Too low, even at Blowout Campground, to launch a boat. Float trout and bank fishermen are doing fine on the brown trout, evenings in the shallows.

Jackson Lake: Only the smallest boats can be launched. The fishing was not that good. Bank fishing near the dam was, from what I viewed, the best bet.

Blackfoot Reservoir: We got a 16-foot boat in, but by the time you read this probably not. The Dike Lake area was the only launch site still having water.

A boat with electronic gear reported that the deepest area they found was 15 feet. Boat fishing was very slow, but bank fishing along the Dike Lake area was excellent in the evening hours. Tube fishermen using flies (largegill) caught limits.

Let me tell you that the fish in the Blackfoot are large (2 to 3 pounds), and two fish will limit you out if you keep your fish.

The hottest area is about a mile up the lake from the Dike Lake area where a spring area makes the area boil. There are many spawners, but rainbow and brown trout.

If you do plan on taking a small boat, watch for sandbars. Several boats were run aground on mud banks all over the lake. I suggest a canoe or rubber raft.

Bank fishermen will have to put up with the



mud. The lake is dropping rapidly and 90 percent of the bank area is mud-flat fishing.

Our greatest success came from using two large flies (minnow type) about two feet apart. A fast retrieve worked the best.

Since the water is about the same depth everywhere, fishing about 20 to 30 feet from the bank worked best. Large fish need a big meal and it comes from minnows.

Fly fishermen should use large flies; bank anglers should stick to chub meat. From the bank use No. 2 or No. 4 hooks with a 3-inch strip of fish meat. No weight. Cast out, fast retrieve for five or six feet, let settle then a very slow retrieve on the bottom. Fish evening hours until dark.

The frau and I will be along the coast of Oregon and Washington for a few weeks, so you will get some reports on this fishing.

Former two-term Alaska Gov. Jay Hammond is probably the most popular governor in the history of the state.

Our outdoor writers use his quotes, and those running for office here in the lower 48 states hate to even hear what he says or, worse yet, what he has done in Alaska.

Gov. Hammond took a state resource (oil) and instead of using the money from royalties to create state-run institutions, he adopted a plan to pay every citizen of Alaska the money directly. Some asserted these dividends to the public were socialist. Jay says the opposite is true.

Socialism takes wealth from the people and gives it to government. Dividends from oil revenue, lake wealth from the government and gives it to the people.

On subsidies:
"If you're gonna have any subsidy at all, it should be the same for everybody. It's pitting collective greed against selective greed. If we're all gonna be parasites, we ought to be all the same size parasite."

On introduction of wolves:
"If ever there was something that made people think with their hormones instead of their head-bones, it's wolf. I'd like to see more wolves than people."

On government programs:
"I would like to take all those programs and put them on the ballot — a laundry list — and tell the people, for every one you reject, we'll use half the incurred savings to increase your dividend."

Sven is an avid Twin Falls fisherman who writes a weekly column for The Times-News.

Fires don't bother game that much

MAMMOTH HOT SPRINGS, Wyo. (AP) — While some visitors to Yellowstone National Park recoil from the stark, charred landscapes left behind by this summer's wildfires, animals actually prefer the burned-out areas, according to researchers.

Since the fires began, Yellowstone's chief researcher, John Varley, and his colleagues have been tracking some 150 mountain lions, grizzly bears, elk and moose fitted with radio collars to see how the fires affect them.

These trackings, along with reports from rangers and firefighters, indicate that the animals haven't been too disturbed by the flames, Varley said Monday.

The information that comes to us from the firefighters and all the other people that are out in the field right now suggests that the animals are surprisingly "nonchalant" about the fires, he said. "We have numerous observations of elk bedded down in meadows right next to where these great conflagrations are going on."

And we also have a lot of evidence that they move into these blackened areas soon after the fire passes, he added.

Varley speculates that the animals head to the burned-out areas because there are no bugs there, and because of a somewhat unusual taste for ash.

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Those 150 or so animals fitted with elk collars have not gone out of their usual migrational routes, he said.

"Actually, they're staging up, the elk, particularly for their breeding season, and the collared animals that we've been tracking for several years now have shown that they're back in



AP Wirephoto

Elk gaze at fire from smoky meadow in Yellowstone park

their same areas for breeding, and putting together their herds, and so forth, and that is all going on normally," said the researcher.

The only unusual movements noted so far are that those are moving to winter range a bit earlier than normal, he added.

Experts take sea bird census along the Oregon Coast

NEWPORT, Ore. (AP) — Two federal scientists are taking a census of all the seabirds that breed along the Oregon Coast to help scientists watch for any harmful effects from coastal development, including proposed offshore oil drilling and mineral mining.

More than half the seabirds living along the Western United States outside of Alaska use the rocks and reefs off the Oregon Coast for breeding and rearing their young, said Roy Lowe, who is conducting the census with fellow U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service researcher Jon Anderson.

Scientists have identified 270 breeding colonies of many species on about 1,400 offshore rocks, Anderson said.

Earlier this summer, Lowe and

Anderson spent days flying along the coast in a helicopter photographing the bird colonies. As summer waned and hatchlings learned to fly, the birds deserted the rocks and returned to sea.

Some species will not come near land again until next spring, when they return to the breeding colonies, Lowe said.

Now the two scientists spend their days viewing slides and counting the birds they photographed, already turning up some interesting facts.

"We've seen a fair increase in the numbers of some species," Lowe said, including up to a 50 percent increase in the number of murres nesting off Oregon.

In the early 1980s, murre populations were devastated.

So far, Varley added, there have been no documented cases of large animals, such as grizzlies or elk, killed by the fires. But he isn't discounting the possibility that some deaths have occurred and simply not spotted yet.

With all these falling trees, and with all the fire, then there could well be deaths, I would expect so," said Varley. "But I don't think it is widespread. And I think largely these animals have escaped the flames themselves."

Many burrowing animals probably survived the fires, he said, as indicated by the many chipmunks and deer mice spotted running through blackened areas. However, "cavity nesters," squirrels and others that nest in dead trees probably died in the fires, added Varley.

The park's renowned fisheries should not be seriously affected by the fires, he said. "If we have a normal year."

If these fires are put out by cloud-bursts, in other words, if we get four inches of rain like New Orleans had the last few days, then I would anticipate seeing some mass soil movement, and some very turbid streams," Varley said.

Now in a normal year, where the rains come or the snows come as they did over the weekend, very gently, which is the normal situation around here, then I would anticipate that the ashes would go into solution and then into the soil horizon and that there would be no problem," he said.

There actually could be a boost in the fisheries next year as nutrients left behind by the fires work their way into the streams and lakes.

Sheep

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horns that rated 170 points. The largest highest-shot in Idaho was taken in 1953 and had horns that rated 166.5 points, according to Fish and Game.

The points are determined through a system of judging big-game trophies that measures the length, width and spread of an animal's horns. A 170-point set would mean the sheep's horns were between 35 and 40 inches long.

"It's about what I expected," Senter said of the kill. "It's a good size."

Senter, who owns construction, lumber and real estate companies, sent the body of the sheep and its horns to a taxidermist who will preserve it for \$2,000 to \$2,500. He plans to plant the stuffed animal in his living room.

He spent five days on horseback in steep, rocky terrain around Borah Peak hunting for bighorn. He went there in search of a legendary sheep nicknamed "Rambo" that reportedly had a 190-point set of horns.

He's supposed to be the biggest sheep in Idaho," said Dave Putnam, who volunteered as a scout for Senter during the hunt. Putnam said "Rambo" had been photographed in the area they were hunting.

However, smoke from forest fires made sighting of bighorn difficult, so on the fifth day of the hunt Senter decided to shoot the 170-point sheep he sighted on his second day out. He made the kill from about 350 yards away with a model 300 Winchester.

Senter, who plans to hunt for a desert bighorn in Nevada this winter with another tag he got at an auction, said he's not sure if he'll bid again for an Idaho bighorn tag.

But, he said, with a far-off look in his blue eyes, he does like to hunt bighorn. "I don't know, it's just something that gets in the hunter's blood — hunting sheep."

David Hocklander is a teacher and athletic director at Gooding High School.

Hovey

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are dealing with a special, deep-seated cultural pattern which places high value on living within an aboriginal territory.

"The legal status of the several sub-divisions of the Shoshone was recognized over the years by Congress by means of laws and jurisdictional acts which authorized them to sue the U.S. in the court of claims. Through years of lengthy court litigations, little has been gained, even though the federal government claims compensation and reservations were given to the Nevada Shoshone as a result of the 1863 treaty."

"The reservation was a process and a tool used by the BIA (Bureau of Indian Affairs) and its policy of assembling all Indians

Birds

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it of 10 quail, double in possession after the first day.

Sharp-tail grouse

Region 4's sharp-tail grouse hunting is limited to big game units 56 (Black Pine), and 57 (Sublett) in the southeast corner. The season runs from Saturday through Oct. 2 with two to the daily bag.

A few sharp-tail can be found in marginal habitat in the Split Butte area and hunters are reminded that they are protected.

We are urging hunters to watch out for them. It is not ideal sharp-tail habitat but it's nice to have them hanging on," Kvale said.

Kit

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tent, get them into dry clothes and feed them some warm soup and coffee.

In a matter of minutes they were better. They spent the night at our camp and headed down the mountain the next day none the worse for wear but with a new respect for nature and the great outdoors.

As the fall hunting seasons arrive, hunters can protect themselves from an uncomfortable or even deadly day in the mountains by making a simple field kit an integral part of their hunting gear.

Many lists have been compiled for gear that should be part of the kit. My feelings are that a field kit should be simple enough that the sportsman will make it and compact enough that he will take it.

There are lots of things which would be nice to have in an emergency situation but they will do you no good if the kit is so large and heavy that it is left in the truck.

The small cordura pouches which slip on a belt are about the right size for a compromise of size and capacity. Equip the kit with the most impor-

tant items first and then stop when it is full. Put it with the bullets and do not take one without the other.

The following items are found at the top of most survival and first-aid kit lists.

I can fit all into by 6x4x3-inch belt pouch. The most important item is something with which to build a fire.

Waterproof matches, a butane lighter and a material such as cotton to use as tinder will enable you to start a fire in most adverse conditions.

With a fire, a lost or injured hunter can survive until rescued.

The fire not only provides warmth. It also becomes a comforting companion. Even if no other survival gear is taken, every hunter should have with them materials capable of starting an emergency fire.

Other survival and first-aid items include:

- A mirror, for visual signaling.
- Compass and map; whistle for sound signaling.
- Compact space blanket for warmth and shelter for one person.
- Orange surveyor's tape for mark-

ing position.

- Tape and gauze, aspirin and other medication as needed.

- Water purification tablets and antiseptic cream.

Individual needs will vary. My sons wear contacts, so we include cleaner and a spare contact in the kit.

Notice that food is not mentioned. The healthy human body can get by for 30 days without food. Food is bulky and heavy but if space and weight allow its inclusion, food would certainly make a night in the mountains more bearable. Horses, of course, make it possible to take most needed supplies.

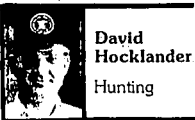
Water should be carried whenever possible, but in an extreme emergency, the body can survive without water for a few days, depending on conditions.

Whatever you put in your field kit, take it with you and even nature's more nasty moments will not spoil the season.

Survival kit could make the difference

Nature can be a most pleasant companion to the sportsman, but it can also be a very formidable, unrelenting foe.

In my college days I spent the summer months building trails for the Forest Service. Those late August days could be very warm, so it was not uncommon to see hikers on the trail in nothing but shorts and a T-shirt. I am sure few of them realized how much the weather could change at 10,000 feet in the Sawtooth Mountains and most were fortunate enough not to find out first hand.



David Hocklander
Hunting

One group was not so lucky. The day started with clear skies and a warming sun. By noon it would surely be in the high 70s just as it had been for the past week.

But in the mountains where the horizon is blocked from view, a change in weather can occur without warning.

Three hikers paused on the trail earlier in the day and stopped for lunch on the other side of the lake. About 5 p.m., nature pulled one of its Dr. Jekyll-Mr. Hyde tricks. The temperature dropped nearly 40 degrees in a matter of minutes and it began to blow and rain heavily.

Within an hour the campers came wandering into our camp. They were soaked and experiencing the beginning stages of hypothermia. The weather had caught them without warm clothing or rain protection. They had panicked and were heading down the mountain.

I do not know how far they would have made it, but it was seven miles to the road and protection and warmth of their vehicle.

We took them into the cook.

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Upland birds open

Hunter success will show if adverse weather has hurt the stocks

By LARRY HOVEY
Times-News writer

JEROME — Sage grouse will be at center stage Saturday when the major upland bird hunting opens across the Magic Valley.

By and large, Craig Kvale, Region 4 wildlife manager for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, believes this year's success should be close to last year in sage grouse and perhaps a bit better for partridge and quail.

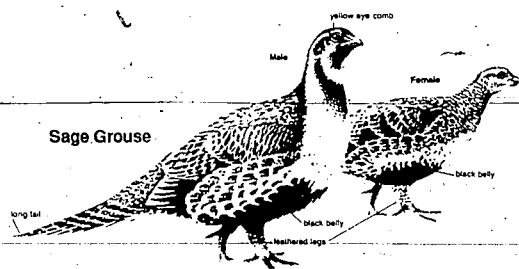
"But our concern for all upland species is that Memorial Day week-

low legal shooting only between one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

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Sage Grouse

end when we had some snow down south and a very cold rain in the north," he said. "We generally consider the Memorial Day weekend to be about the peak of the sage grouse hatch and those little chicks can't take any snow and very little rain. That could have reduced our huntable population some."

"The same weather would have been a factor for the gray partridge and chukars and perhaps affected quail somewhat. But our major concern is for sage grouse," he said.

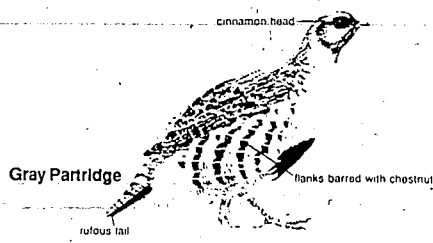
Among the general regulations hunters should be aware of is the new hunting hour schedule which al-

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Gray Partridge

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limit and four in possession after the first day.

The Elmore County closure largely is a Region 3 administrative decision and affects the northwest edge of Magic Valley west of King Hill Creek and the Camas Prairie. However, that portion of Camas County within the Camas Creek drainage is open with a two-bird limit and Saturday through Oct. 2 dates.

For the fifth straight year it appears that Magic Valley sage grouse production may have beaten the 10-year average discounting the Memorial Day weekend weather.

Spring lek trend counts showed the average male on the strutting grounds stood at 25.7 per lek against 25.0 last year, 19.5 in 1986 and 19.8 for the 10-year average.

This year the department began some broad routes but since there is previous data for this season, Kvale said "our impression is that the numbers are very similar to what our officers were seeing last year."

Kvale said since 1983 the region has enjoyed production above the long-term average, those figures substantiated by wing studies.

The 10-year average has indicated production at 170 chicks per 100 hens going into the hunting season. From 1983 through 1986 this average jumped to 200 chicks per 100 hens. In 1987, that dropped to 142, making that the first dip in production in five years.

The department will again have 10 checking stations in operation plus wing collection barrels on more remote access routes. The data gleaned from the wings taken this fall will provide the final success ratio of the 1988 production year.

Hunters using the Split Butte area in Minidoka County for grouse are reminded that a remnant population of sharp-tail grouse might be seen. They are protected. Although the habitat is considered marginal, the department would like to keep the species in the area.

Partridge
Because gray (formerly Hungarian) partridge can be part of the roadside surveys conducted on agricultural areas, the department has a pretty good feel of those population trends. Chukars are in remote areas and except for some sightings during big game counts, etc., hunter reports usually are the best census gauges.

Based on a dozen roadside routes this year, the gray partridge showed up at the rate of 18 birds per mile against .24 last year. However, broods were recorded at .44 per 20 miles this year against .45 last year. This year's broods were seen on 50 percent of the routes compared to 51 percent last year, leading Kvale to surmise that the gray populations should be very similar to last year.

Two mild winters in a row should have helped our chukars—depending on whether that Memorial Day weather got into the canyons," he said. "Going by sightings we believe the King Hill area birds are bouncing back and we are getting excellent re-

ports on numbers from the Boise area north to Lewiston. Our larger populations are still in the southwest corner of the region on the Jarbidge and in Owyhee County. But we feel the others are all coming back."

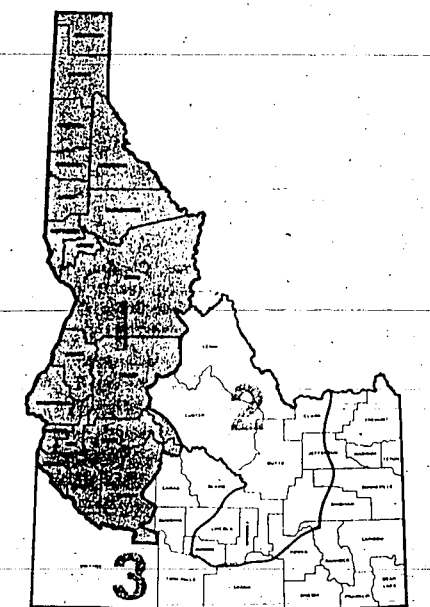
The partridge season runs from Sept. 17 through Dec. 31 and hunters may take eight chukars and eight grays per day with 16 of each in possession after the first day. However, Kvale emphasized that is not 16 partridge in aggregate per day. It must be eight of each species.

Quail
Again because of two mild winters we feel that quail populations should be up if we had any luck at all during the hatch this year," Kvale said.

He noted only California and bobwhite quail seasons are open in Magic Valley. Gable and Mountain quail are closed, although the region has very few of those species.

The season runs from Saturday through Dec. 31 with a daily bag limit.

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Potential Shoshone claims hang over F&G plans

By LARRY HOVEY
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The complications of a possible claim by the Western Shoshone Tribes for off-reservation hunting rights in southern Twin Falls and Cassia counties prevent any state agency from taking an official position, according to one state official.

Carl Nellis, Region 4 supervisor for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, told Twin Falls and Cassia Conservation, Inc., Tuesday night "we (the department) have been contacted only informally by two members of the tribe and until something official is filed somewhere, that will be where the situation sits."

The "informal" contact with Fish & Game indicates the tribe is pondering a claim to hunting and fishing roughly from the Snake River south to the Nevada border with the Raft and Brunca rivers as the eastern and

western boundaries, respectively.

Nellis reviewed the Western Shoshone's claim to 22 million acres of land in Nevada and another two million in California.

He said the controversy officially began when the Shoshones claimed ownership of that portion of Nevada on the basis that the United States had violated its 1863 treaty with the tribe by placing it on its own reservation within its traditional and historical hunting range.

In 1967, a judgment resulted in the U.S. government paying the tribe \$26 million. But seven years later, under new legal council, the tribe filed an amended claim saying the payment covered only one-half of the area concerned and, coupled with the lack of a reservation within its aboriginal hunting territory, pressed an additional claim for ownership.

That litigation currently is proceeding slowly. In the meantime, the tribe succeeded in obtaining an injunction from a federal

court that prohibits the Nevada Wildlife Commission from enforcing any state laws on tribe members.

A three-man tribal commission handles the conservation aspects of the hunting and is expected to report all game taken every six months to Nevada Department of Wildlife. Individual hunters have seven days from the time of kill to make their report to the tribe.

The tribe is proscribed from hunting on privately owned, fenced property or posted lands. Big game, sheep, mountain goats and elk are not included in aboriginal harvest rights.

The tribal commission also prohibits the sale of edible portions of game (which therefore allows trapping). Hunting must result from needed subsistence and no hunting for sport is allowed.

Penalties range to a maximum of 3 months in jail and \$300 fines and loss of privileges.

Nellis said Nevada chose to negotiate an agreement with the tribe rather than take the

possible all-or-nothing of litigation.

Nellis said he wouldn't hazard any kind of guess of what the state reaction will be if the formal application is received.

"If that petition comes, once the state makes up its mind, I won't be the one talking to you," Nellis said with a smile.

In response to questions, Nellis said it remains far too early to speculate on how the department would react in administering the South Hills hunting units.

"We couldn't make any assessments until we can evaluate the amount of Indian hunting pressure and Indian harvest," he said. "It is possible that if a limited number of Indians hunted the area, we could manage the herds to accommodate aboriginal and non-Indian hunters alike, each getting a share. But if it became a matter of a great many hunters, then I suppose you would see the commission directing the department to transfer its efforts elsewhere."

Complications abound in off-reservation claims

Continuing the discussion of the possible claim of the Western Shoshone Band to pursue off-reservation hunting rights in southern Twin Falls and Cassia Counties.

We are in receipt of a letter and pamphlet discussing "Ruby Valley Treaty Days" from Larry Piffero, a resident of Elko, Nev., and a member of the Shoshone Elders Council.

Piffero said the council is sponsoring a three-day meeting in the Ruby Valley on the Nell ranch Oct. 1-3 to emphasize better understanding by non-Indians to the history, traditions and lore of the Western Shoshone.

In rendering the following quotations from a treaty days pamphlet, try to understand the enormous complexities that make courts such fun for lawyers.



Larry Hovey

For instance, you will see that, for administrative purpose the U.S. arbitrarily appears to have severed the Western Shoshone Band from the overall Shoshone nation, making it a separate entity unto itself but still part of the overall nation.

Understand the ramifications of the western tribe being placed on the Duck Valley Reservation in Oregon when the 1863 treaty specifies its own reservation within historic and traditional hunting grounds. The whole thing is fraught with

such debatable items — if one accepts the current position that U.S.-Indian treaties cannot be abrogated.

But as American history has shown, treaty busting of one kind or another is always in season and rides the vagaries to whom.

The pamphlet outlines the agenda, purpose and history of the Ruby Valley Treaty Days celebration. A "history of the Western Shoshone claims" is included. In part, this Western Shoshone position paper says:

"Since the rapid encroachment of the whites and the push of European civilization throughout Shoshone territory in the early 1800s, the United States and its intruders recognized that agreements with the Shoshone had to be made."

The main intent and purpose of the negotiations is to provide

safe passage for the whites, authorize settlements, protect its citizens and to maintain peace with the Shoshone. It also reserved the rights to hunt, fish and roam within their territory until such time as the president of the U.S. deemed it necessary to create reservations of their own.

"In 1863, several events took place which would change the life of the Shoshone people forever."

"Under the authority of the U.S. treaty commissioners James W. Noy, governor of Nevada Territory, and James Duane Doty, governor of Utah Territory, officially designated Nevada Shoshone and distinguished them from the Goshute Shoshone, Northwestern Shoshone and other Shoshone living in Idaho, Utah and other parts of the Shoshone group."

"Five treaties were negotiated between the U.S. and various Shoshone located in different sections of Shoshone country. These are known as the Doty Treaties."

"Specifically, we are referencing the material in the Nevada Shoshone who encompass three-fourths of the state (of Nevada) since time and the signing of the peace treaty of 1863. An unusual feature of the treaty is the condition providing explicitly that reservations for their use would be established in their own country."

"Stipulations of this provision allowed Chief Te-moak and other treaty signers that this would be done within the defined area. The fact that the Western Shoshone have remained scattered widely within that traditional area is evidence that we

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Easterner bags his \$68,000 sheep

The Associated Press

BOISE — The sum of \$68,000 will buy a nice three-bedroom home here, a 1911 Porsche Carrera, or about 3,830 pounds of Australian lobster.

For stocky, gray-bearded Robert Senter, 50, it bought a chance to bag an Idaho Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep. He did so Sept. 7.

It was well worth it, said Senter. He outbid five other hunters in February to get the first Idaho bighorn sheep tag to be auctioned. He showed off the animal's horns and skull here Friday at a state Fish and Game Department office.

He said the steep price tag on the permit was okay, because the money went to the right place.

That place was Idaho Fish and Game, which plans to use the money to transplant up to 90 bighorn sheep to four sites around the state. Some of the funds also will be used to study diseases that affect the sheep.

Idaho was one of several Western states to auction a bighorn tag at a convention in Reno, Nev., of the Foundation for North American Wild Sheep. Montana auctioned a tag for \$98,000.

The sole purpose of Idaho's auction is to create a steady source of funding for increasing the state's bighorn population, said Lloyd Oldenburg of Fish and Game's wildlife bureau. In the past, the department has had to rely on the Legislature.

Senter, of Pleasant, N.H., shot an 8 1/2-year-old, 350-pound bighorn that lived up to its name with an set of

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Briefly

2nd depredation hunt winding up

JEROME — A second depredation hunt currently is underway on a portion of the Camas Prairie but will be completed before the opening of the sage grouse season Saturday.

Craig Kvale, Region 4 wildlife manager, said the depredation hunt is being used to thin the ranks of deer that have become a destructive nuisance to private land and crops.

Using telephone surveys, the department pretty well established that the original 50-permit hunt had "about 100 per cent success," Kvale said. "But with the large number of deer still being seen and after some discussion with landowners, it was decided to go with a second hunt."

Kvale said field checks turned up eight harvested deer on opening day last Saturday.

Ruffed grouse relocation halted

JEROME — Because of poor trapping conditions, a supplemental transfer of ruffed grouse from eastern Idaho to the South Hills has been halted for the year.

Craig Kvale, Region 4 wildlife manager, said he was uncertain of whether it was dry conditions or something else that has reduced 10 days of trapping in eastern Idaho to just seven birds. Last year the department was able to collect 74 in about a five-week period.

The State of Nevada is continuing its trapping operation in a wildlife exchange with Idaho but its success, too, is dropping off.

"If the Nevada trapping should pick up in the next week to 10 days, then perhaps we will go back in with our traps," Kvale said.

This is really disappointing because it's best to have back-to-back plantings to establish a good production base. The loss of supplemental birds this year could set the entire program back.

F&G revises pintail regulations

BOISE — Using a telephone conference call, the Idaho Fish and Game Commission voted to change and simplify regulations for pintail harvest in the 1988-89 duck-hunting season.

The new regulations allow inclusion of one pintail of either sex in the daily bag and two in possession throughout the season.

Under the regulations as originally approved, one pintail of either sex could be taken early in the season, two males late in the season and the intervening period was closed to harvest.

The regulation change was implemented after approval was given by the U.

S. Fish and Wildlife Service which has management authority over migratory waterfowl.

Pheasants Forever selects field rep

BOISE — Pheasants Forever has selected a full-time western field representative who will live in Boise.

Dave Lockwood will represent the state of Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Utah and Colorado.

Lockwood was previously field representative for Pheasants Forever in the Midwest.

17 and up need upland stamp

BOISE — Idaho's upland game stamp is required for all hunters 17 years of age and older who plan to hunt pheasants, gray or chukar partridge or quail.

The stamps may be purchased for \$5.50 at license vendors and Department of Fish and Game offices.

Depredation hunt applications due

BOISE — Persons wishing to be eligible for depredation hunt drawings in 1988 and 1989 must complete the form printed on the back of 1988 big game regulations and return it to the Department of Fish and Game postmarked no later than Sept. 30.

Depredation hunts are special hunts to relieve damage by game animals to private property.

Deer, elk and antelope have moved onto agricultural lands because of the drought and have already been hunted in depredation hunts this year, according to big game manager Lloyd Oldenburg.

The approximately 150 qualified hunters were those who submitted applications prior to the dates the hunts were authorized by the Department of Fish and Game.

Participation in a depredation hunt does not require use of a hunter's regular tag, according to Oldenburg. A special permit-tag is issued which is considered an "extra" tag.

Fall fishing

Low water means that boats will have limited access most places

Spent a few days gaining information on where our fall fishing could be. The following is my report.

Palisades Reservoir: Too low, even at Blount Campground, to launch a boat. Flat tubers and bank fishermen are doing fine on the brown trout evenings in the shallows.

Jackson Lake: Only the smallest boats can be launched. The fishing was not that good. Bank fishing near the dam was, from what I viewed, the best bet.

Blackfoot Reservoir: We got a 16-foot boat in, but by the time you read this probably not. The Dike Lake area was the only launch site still having water.

A boat with electronic gear reported that the deepest area they found was 15 feet. Boat fishing was very slow, but bank fishing along the Dike Lake area was excellent in the evening hours. Tube fishermen using flies (large) all caught limits.

Let me tell you that the fish in the Blackfoot are large (2 to 6 pounds), and two fish will limit you out if you keep your fish.

The hottest area is about a mile up the lake from the Dike Lake area where a spring area makes the area boil. There are many spawners both rainbow and brown trout.

If you do plan on taking a small boat, watch for sandbars. Several boats were run aground on mud banks all over the lake. I suggest a canoe or rubber raft.

Bank fishermen will have to put up with the



Swen

nut. The lake is dropping rapidly and 90 percent of the bank area is mud-flat fishing.

Our greatest success came from using two large flies (minnow type) about two feet apart. A fast retrieve worked the best.

Since the water is about the same depth everywhere, fishing about 20 to 30 feet from the bank worked best. Large fish need a big meal and it comes from minnows.

Fly fishermen should use large flies; bank anglers should stick to chub meat. From the bank use No. 2 or No. 4 hooks with a 3-inch strip of fish meat. No weight. Cast out, fast retrieve for five or six feet, let settle then a very slow retrieve on the bottom. Fish evening hours until dark.

The frau and I will be along the coast of Oregon and Washington for a few weeks, so you will get some reports on this fishing.

Former two-term Alaska Gov. Jay Hammond is probably the most popular governor in the history of the state.

Fires don't bother game that much

MAMMOTH HOT SPRINGS, Wyo. (AP) — While some visitors to Yellowstone National Park recoil from the stark, charred landscapes left behind by this summer's wildfires, animals actually prefer the burned-out areas, according to researchers.

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their same areas for breeding, and putting together their herds, and so forth, and that is all going on normally," said the researcher.

The only unusual movements noted so far are that bison are moving to winter range a bit earlier than normal, he added.

Experts take sea bird census along the Oregon Coast

NEWPORT, Ore. (AP) — Two federal scientists are taking a census of all the seabirds that breed along the Oregon Coast to help scientists watch for any harmful effects from coastal development, including proposed offshore oil drilling and mineral mining.

More than half the seabirds living along the Western United States outside of Alaska use the rocks and reefs off the Oregon Coast for breeding and rearing their young, said Roy Lowe, who is conducting the census with fellow U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service researcher Jon Anderson.

Scientists have identified 270 breeding colonies of many species on about 1,400 offshore rocks, Anderson said.

Earlier this summer, Lowe and

Anderson spent days flying along the coast in a helicopter photographing the bird colonies. As the summer waned and hatchlings learned to fly, the birds deserted the rocks and returned to sea.

Some species will not come near land again until next spring, when they return to the breeding colonies, Lowe said.

Now the two scientists spend their days viewing slides and counting the birds they photographed, already turning up some interesting facts.

"We've seen a fair increase in the numbers of some species," Lowe said, including up to a 50 percent increase in the number of murres nesting off Oregon.

In the early 1980s, murre populations in were devastated

So far, Varley added, there have been no documented cases of large animals, such as grizzlies or elk, killed by the fires. But he isn't discounting the possibility that some deaths have occurred and simply not spotted yet.

"With all these falling trees, and with all the fire, then there could well be deaths, I would expect so," said Varley. "But I don't think it is widespread. And I think largely these animals have escaped the flames themselves."

Many burrowing animals probably survived the fires, he said, as indicated by the many chipmunks and deer mice spotted running through blackened areas. However, "cavity nesters" — squirrels and others that nest in dead trees probably died in the fires, added Varley.

The park's renowned fisheries should not be seriously affected by the fires, he said, "if we have a normal year."

"If these fires are put out by cloud-bursts, in other words, if we get four inches of rain like New Orleans had the last few days, then I would anticipate seeing some mass soil movement, and some very turbid streams," Varley said.

"Now in a normal year, where the rains came or the snows came as they did over the weekend, very gently, which is the normal situation around here, then I would anticipate that the ashes would go into solution and then into the soil horizon and that there would be no problem," he said.

There actually could be a boost in the fisheries next year as nutrients left behind by the fires work their way into the streams and lakes.

Sheep

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horns that rated 170 points. The largest bighorn shot in Idaho was taken in 1953 and had horns that rated 148.6 points, according to Fish and Game.

The points are determined through a system of judging big-game trophies that measures the length, width and spread of an animal's horns. A 170-point set would mean the sheep's horns were between 35 and 40 inches long.

"It's about what I expected," Senter said of his kill. "He's a good size."

Senter, who owns construction, lumber and real-estate companies, sent the body of the sheep and its horns to a taxidermist who will preserve it for \$2,000 to \$2,500. He plans to plant the stuffed animal in his living room.

He spent five days on horseback in steep, rocky terrain around Borah Peak hunting for bighorn. He went there in search of a legendary sheep nicknamed "Rambo" that reportedly has a 190-point set of horns.

He's supposed to be the biggest sheep in Idaho," said Dave Putnam, who volunteered as a scout for Senter during the hunt. Putnam said "Rambo" had been photographed in the area they were hunting.

However, smoke from forest fires made sighting of bighorn difficult, so on the fifth day of the hunt Senter decided to shoot the 170-point sheep he sighted on his second day out: He made the kill from about 350 yards away with a model 300 Winchester.

Senter, who plans to hunt for a deer bighorn in Nevada this winter with another tag he got at an auction, said he's not sure if he'll bid again for an Idaho bighorn tag. But, he said, with a far-look in his blue eyes, he does like to hunt bighorn. "I don't know, it's just something that gets in the hunter's blood — hunting sheep."

Kit

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tent, got them into dry clothes and fed them some warm soup and coffee.

In a matter of minutes they were better. They spent the night at our camp and headed down the mountain the next day none the worse for wear but with a new respect for nature and the great outdoors.

As the fall hunting seasons arrive, hunters can protect themselves from an uncomfortable or even deadly day in the mountains by making a simple field kit an integral part of their hunting gear.

Many lists have been compiled for gear that should be part of the kit. My feelings are that a field kit should be simple enough that the sportsman will make it and compact enough that he will take it.

There are lots of things which would be nice to have in an emergency situation but they will do you no good if the kit is so large and heavy that it is left in the truck.

The small condura pouches which slip on a belt are about the right size for a compromise of size and capacity. Equip the kit with the most impor-

tant items first, and then stop when it is full. Put it with the bullets and do not take one without the other.

The following items are found at the top of most survival and first-aid kit lists.

I can fit all into by 6x4x3-inch belt pouch. The most important item is something with which to build a fire.

Waterproof matches, a butane lighter and a material such as cotton to use as tinder will enable you to start a fire in most adverse conditions.

With a fire, a lost or injured hunter can survive until rescued.

The fire not only provides warmth it also becomes a comforting companion. Even if no other survival gear is taken, every hunter should have with them materials capable of starting an emergency fire.

Other survival and first-aid items include:

- * Mirror, for visual signaling.
- * Compass and map; whistle for sound signaling.
- * Compact space blanket for warmth and shelter for one person.
- * Orange surveyor's tape for mark-

ing position.

* Tape and gauze, aspirin and other medication as needed.

* Water purification tablets and antiseptic cream.

Individual needs will vary. My sons wear contacts, so we include cleaner and a spare contact in the kit.

Notice that food is not mentioned. The healthy human body can get by for 30 days without food. Food is bulky and heavy but if space and weight allow its inclusion, food would certainly make a night in the mountains more bearable. Horses, of course, make it possible to take most needed supplies.

Water should be carried whenever possible, but in an extreme emergency, the body can survive without water for a few days, depending on conditions.

Whatever you put in your field kit, take it with you and even nature's more nasty moments will not spoil the season.

David Hochlander is a teacher and athletic director at Gooding High School.

Hovey

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are dealing with a special, deep-seated cultural pattern which places high value on living within an aboriginal territory.

"The legal status of the several sub-divisions of the Shoshone was recognized over the years by Congress by means of laws and jurisdictional acts which authorized them to sue the U.S. in the court of claims. Through years of lengthy court litigations, little has been gained, even though the federal government claims compensation and reservations were given to the Nevada Shoshone as a result of the 1863 treaty.

"The reservation was a process and a tool used by the BIA (Bureau of Indian Affairs) and its policy of assembling all Indians

manager with the state Fish and Game Department.

As the falcons hone their hunting skills, the biologists caring for them have less to do. Handouts of quail meat will end Thursday.

"They have to stop depending on us and make their way in the world," manager with the state Fish and Game Department.

"Such a policy is documented explicitly in many treaties and executive orders and that the federal government reserves the right to place any Indians on any reservation."

"When this occurred, Western Shoshone were placed on reserves outside their aboriginal homelands and violated the terms contained in the Ruby Valley Treaty."

Through unity efforts of tribal governing bodies and the aegis of the Western Shoshone National Council, progress has been made in the protection of land rights, possession of aboriginal hunting, fishing, trapping and gathering rights, intervention in construction and installation of mines, dams, power companies, nuclear test sites, chemical waste dumps and MX.

"The Shoshone people are reaffirming their position as a sovereign nation and that no legal ownership was ever transferred and supports and acknowledges the treaty of 1863 as a legal and binding document."

Ratified in 1866 by the U.S. Senate and confirmed by the United States President Grant in 1869 and that all contents and provisions set forth in the treaty are still in effect."

Neither the letter nor the pamphlet discuss much in the way of Idaho claims; indeed, neither incorporated description map crossed the Idaho-Nevada line.

Larry Hovey is a sportswriter for The Times News.

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it of 10 quail, double in possession after the first day.

Sharp-tail grouse

Region 4's sharp-tail grouse hunting is limited to big game units 56 (Black Pine) and 57 (Sublette) in the southeast corner. The season runs from Saturday through Oct. 2 with two in the daily bag.

A few sharp-tail can be found in original habitat in the Split Butte area and hunters are reminded that they are protected.

"We are urging hunters to watch out for them. It is not ideal sharp-tail habitat but it's nice to have them hanging on," Kvale said.

F&G Director Conley responds to citizen's heartfelt concern

By Robert Hamilton,
Times Staff

Thank you for your recent letter. You are correct — it is constructive, challenge current procedures, and we welcome your input. You addressed a number of issues, and I'll attempt to respond to each of them.

Before I do that, however, I want to invite you to participate in the Idaho Wildlife Congress, to be held in Boise this November. The Congress is a meeting of representatives from statewide sportsmen's groups and interested individuals designed to get all of you, as sportsmen, to really participate in providing direction to the department — to identify issues of concern and to set up lines of communication with us and other public agencies that affect the way that wildlife is managed in Idaho.

The Idaho Wildlife Congress will be held at the Red Lion Riverside on Nov. 19 and 20, and will involve our department, the Bureau of Land Management, the Forest Service, and the Fish and Wildlife Service. I have put your name on the mailing list to receive further information.

I am unclear as to your first point — that the goose season was recently closed "a week early." Review of recent structures for goose hunting shows that season dates over the past few years have been as follows: 1985-86:

Oct. 14-Jan 5 (north and west of US 93)
Oct. 26-Jan 5 (south and east of US 93)
1986-87:
Oct. 11-Jan. 4 (north and west of US 93)
Oct. 25-Jan. 4 (south and east of US 93)
1987-88:
Oct. 12-Jan. 3 (north and west of US 93)
Oct. 24-Jan. 3 (south and east of US 93)

You mentioned frustration with closure of salmon fishing in the Chalky area. Let me assure you, we share your frustration. We are attempting to build these fishery stocks for the future, while allowing harvest to occur in areas where and when surplus fish (those in excess of required minimum spawning numbers) exist. We believe this program will be successful in returning viable, fishable runs (and longer seasons) in Idaho.

You addressed the number of elk permits sold for Unit 43 in 1987. Permit numbers were 200 for bulls only Oct. 20-18, 400 for cows only during Oct. 7-18, and 300 for bulls only Oct. 21-Nov. 15. As for elk numbers, the unit normally winters 800-1,000 elk, and fall population numbers are higher.

Last winter 382 elk were classified at the upper three feedsites, and an additional 100-150 were using the

lower two feedsites (Willow Creek and Schoolhouse) — and this was an open winter when a great many elk did not drop down to the feedsites. More typically, 500-600 elk use the upper three feedsites and 250-300 use the lower two, still with many that do not use feedsites at all (such as those on the west side of Anderson Ranch).

Unit 43, as you know, contains a lot of tough country terrain of access, so it is necessary to offer more permits than harvest desired in order to have enough elk harvested to reach harvest goals. Even so, harvest success has been relatively high: 10-15 percent on bulls and about 25 percent on cows.

The number of permits in this hunt, or any other, are based on the harvest level desired to meet management goals and in Unit 43, the management goal is to stabilize or slightly reduce elk numbers to the level that can be maintained by supplemental feeding in a severe winter.

If this goal cannot be achieved, the likely result is long-term loss of most of the herd in a severe winter, because elk concentrated near feedsites (and elk concentrated in areas away from feedsites) will likely destroy native forage before they starve.

Unfortunately, donations of hay (two or three years old does not provide a solution. By the time hay is much older than one year, most of

the nutrient content is gone — and elk, like cattle, can starve to death with full stomachs if they don't have sufficient nutrients. Your department is moving away from use of baled hay toward use of concentrated pelletized feeds to make better use of storage capacity at feedsites and to maximize the effectiveness of the program.

We appreciate the input of the existing deer season framework. You imply that the department is considering selling permits to use vehicles or pack animals during hunting seasons. In fact, access is managed by the agency that owns the land — either the U.S. Forest Service or Bureau of Land Management in most of Idaho. We work with both agencies to ensure public access and to identify areas where road closures can be effective for wildlife, and are unaware of any attempt by either agency to charge for access — a position that we as a department would oppose.

Similarly, you suggest that the department forces hunters to choose specific areas to hunt when they buy a license or tag. With the exception of the Panhandle elk tag, that is not the case. It is true that those who draw a special controlled hunt permit are limited to hunting in their permit area only, a fairly recent regulation. It was imposed because most hunters themselves felt it only fair that hunters who receive a special privi-

lege should not be allowed to compete with those who didn't draw and were forced to hunt during general seasons.

The department has been asked by numerous individuals and sportsmen's clubs to consider a regulation limiting archery or muzzleloader hunters to use of archery or muzzleloader equipment only, and to exclude the rifle hunter from participating — the "choose your weapon" regulation adopted by many other states. That, issue, and dozens of others, will likely be discussed at the forthcoming Idaho Wildlife Congress.

Hunt boundaries, we admit, are sometimes confusing, despite our best efforts at simplification. With over 100 game management units in Idaho, it is impossible for all of our hunters to know all of the boundaries. We are working with the Department of Transportation and Forest Service to get our hunt unit boundaries on their maps, send out hunt unit boundary maps to successful controlled hunt applicants, and have placed more boundary signs in many units.

There is one other approach we could take — combine many of the units into fewer, larger, more easily

described units. We in Idaho haven't done that, primarily for one reason — when that is done, management flexibility is lost and hunting opportunity must be restricted. In Oregon, for example, units are large and hunting seasons are uniform over large areas — but seasons normally extend only 5-12 days.

To address your final point, there are many organizations like Ducks Unlimited that do focus on particular species; to name a few, Pheasants Forever, the National Wild Turkey Federation, the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation and the Foundation for North American Wild Sheep, all of which have Idaho and national chapters.

We encourage you to become a member of these organizations, not because they always agree with our policies (they don't) but because we do want informed sportsmen to consider our policies, and to let us know if and when they think we can manage our resources better. It is to that end that the Idaho Wildlife Congress was developed, and we encourage you to participate.

Arns M. Conley, Director of the Idaho Department of Fish & Game.

Judge ignores Idaho's recommendations

BOISE (AP) — A federal judge paid little regard to Idaho's recommendations in a "management" plan for Columbia River migratory fish approved this month, and Idaho may appeal the decision, Attorney General Jim Jones says.

The Columbia River Management Plan promotes the interests of its downstream supporters, while exposing Idaho-bound salmon and steelhead stocks to the threat of excessive harvest rates, Jones said Monday.

On Sept. 9, U.S. District Judge Malcolm F. Marsh approved the ten-year plan, negotiated among the federal government, the three Pacific Northwest states and four Indian tribes.

Idaho objected to the plan, which officials claimed would exclude the state from meaningful input in fish management.

Jones said he requested from Marsh the right to gather evidence from depositions and written ques-

tions, but the motion has been denied by a response from the court.

The court also did not respond to a request for an evidentiary hearing on Idaho's objections and failed to consider data on its conservation concern, although that information was generally unopposed, Jones said.

His office spent a good deal of time and money in getting our case prepared for a contested hearing, but to our great surprise, we were not given the opportunity to present a case," Jones said.

It is indeed a sad day for the mag-

nificent stocks of wild fish that give their all to travel 600 to 900 miles upstream to regenerate their species," he said.

The attorney general plans to confer with Idaho Gov. Cecil Andrus, Fish and Game Department Director Jerry Conley and others to determine if the case will be carried to the Ninth Circuit court of Appeals.

Jones said the only good news in the court's decision was to allow Idaho's Shoshone-Bannock tribes to participate in future negotiations. He said the tribes are closely aligned with the state now.

House OKs monies to re-introduce wolves

Wyoming delegation attacks proposal

CASPER, Wyo. (AP) — Members of the U.S. House of Representatives have appropriated \$200,000 for a study of reintroducing wolves in Yellowstone National Park, a plan vehemently opposed by Wyoming's congressional delegation.



votes to the country's first national park could threaten livestock grazing on land adjacent to the park.

However, the report also lists five areas of concern that the report should address:

—Whether wolves would be controlled inside or outside the park.

—How wolves would affect big game populations and hunting in areas around Yellowstone.

—How reintroduction of the carnivores would affect efforts to preserve Yellowstone's grizzly bear population.

—How boundaries of a wolf management zone should be drawn.

—Coordination of wolf management between the National Park Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Conferees also deleted a Senate provision that would have guaranteed that revenue from increased park visitation is not used to offset reduced funding from other sources.

However, conferees did direct the National Park Service to submit an additional budget proposal for Fiscal 1990 that treats fee income as a separate, supplemental source of funding.

With the additional funding for the winter programs, Yellowstone will have another \$1.4 million for construction and \$900,000 for operations. The National Park Service also was directed to improve winter housing for Yellowstone employees.

The funding for WRI boosts the agency's total allocation to more than \$4.7 million. The money will be used for research into underground coal gasification, oil shale extraction and enhanced oil recovery.

Chiropractor invents simpler pistol

SANDPOINT (AP) — The best inventions are often ideas people overlook.

Have you ever considered inventing a soup ladle for left handers? A keychain that doesn't get lost? An automatic laundry folder or an electric sleeping bag?

Dr. James Kemp, Sandpoint chiropractor, has come up with an invention so simple and obvious some gun enthusiasts may wonder why they didn't think of it first.

Ever heard of a single-action revolver with a swing-out cylinder? Neither had Kemp. But the idea has shot around in his mind for the past 10 or 15 years.

Kemp exhibited the revolver at the Bonney County Sportsmen's gun show this spring and received favorable comments, he said. Kemp said, "I've had people say, 'Why didn't I think of that?'"

Kemp is a revolver enthusiast who

has been around guns since he was eight or nine years old.

"I'm just an old powder burner who's had an idea in his head for a long time," he said.

He kicked the idea past longtime friend Bill Schuler of Seeley Lake, Mont., who also thought the concept had merit. It is ingeniously simple and it's never been done before," Kemp said.

Well, almost. After production work began on the prototype Trail-blazer revolver, Kemp stumbled across a magazine article about a gunsmith, J.W. Cowan, who between 1910 and 1915, pieced together by hand Colt and Smith & Wesson revolvers to create a single-action, swing-out barrel revolver. Only two or three revolvers were made for Outdoor Life writer Ashley D. Haines.

The idea was passed along to a gun manufacturer. Through lack of interest, or possibly concern that the gun

would hurt single- or double-action markets, the idea never took off.

Now it's up to Kemp and partners Schuler and James Smith to give it a try. The three formed Summit Arms. Revolver production phase began in October 1986. Kemp designed the main frame so it would adapt to the swing-out cylinder.

Smith, a gunsmith, is in charge of the production and internal machinery of the revolver. He is one superb designer," Kemp said.

Stock work on the gun was done by Roy Chamberlin of Sunnyside. The stock is made of mesquite. The gun is built with a longer grip to make shooting easier, Kemp said. Orders now are being taken for the revolver, and Summit Arms aims to have them available in four to six months.

Cost of the revolver is \$1,000, he said. Kemp said Summit Arms should have a strong market with target, practice, silhouette shooters and hunters.

No early opening for gillnetters

VANCOUVER, Wash. (AP) — The Columbia River Compact decided against an early opening for the first of a series of commercial salmon gillnetting seasons for the lower Columbia.

The season opened Monday in Zones 1-4, which extends from the mouth of the Columbia to about the confluence of the Sandy River in Oregon, according to Jim Gladson, spokesman for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, which participates in the compact.

On Tuesday, officials opened Zone 5, and fishing in all five zones will continue through 6 p.m. Sept. 16, Gladson said.

There are no mesh restrictions on the nets in any of the zones, he added.

Gillnetters had sought an opening time six hours earlier on Monday because of a predicted record run of upriver fall chinook salmon and record counts of chinook at Bonneville Dam.

More than 160,000 adult chinook had been counted at Bonneville through Wednesday, compared with

counts of roughly 100,000 through the same time last year, when a record 419,400 upriver chinook returned to the Columbia.

The compact will meet again at 1 p.m. today in Portland, Ore., to consider additional seasons.

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Swans fly from refuge

GRAYS LAKE (AP) — Trumpeter swans released in southeastern Idaho in July have flown away and a biologist in charge of monitoring the birds wonders where they are.

When 13 trumpeter swans were released at Grays Lake National Bird Refuge and 15 on the Fort Hall Indian Reservation in mid-July, Kent Luttswager was assigned by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to monitor their post-release behavior and movements.

Luttswager said the one- and two-year-old swans at first seemed to be adjusting well to the area after having moved from the Red Butte Lake National Wildlife Refuge in Montana.

But then the drought began taking its toll on the refuge's wetlands.

We had really hoped to establish a breeding population in this area," Luttswager said. But since the refuge started drying up, they are moving to find better habitat. We'll have to just wait and see if they come back at nesting time.

He has not been able to determine where the birds have moved.

I saw three on the refuge and there could be more in the interior of the refuge where I cannot see," Luttswager said. But I have a feeling they have moved off, maybe to Blackfoot Reservoir or the Star Valley area to look for places where more feed is available.

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